

# CHOIR COMMITTEE

## MINUTES

**1:00pm on Thursday, 26 November 2020**

**Via Zoom**

**Present:** Miss Hannah Ambrose (Choir Administrator) Ms Camille Chabloz (Development Office); Miss Emma Easterbrook (Assistant Bursar); Julia Morris (Senior Choral Volunteer); Mrs Nicola Robertson (Head of Chapel Office); Mr Graham Ross (Director of Music); Harry Swanson (Senior Choral Scholar); and Ms Jocelyn Wyburd (Tutors' Representative).

1. **Apologies**

Dr Timothy Chesters (Fellows' Representative); George Gillow (Senior Organ Scholar); Professor Douglas Hedley (Chair); Samuel Jones (Junior Organ Scholar); and the Rev'd Dr Mark Smith (Dean).

2. **Declarations of Interest**

None.

3. **UNRESERVED**

(i) **Declarations of Interest**  
None.

(ii) **Minutes of 15 October 2020**  
Approved.

4. **Matters Arising**

None.

5. **Update on current projects**

The following engagements were cancelled as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

- a. Staff Carol Service (3 December 2020)
- b. Leamington Music Festival (9 December 2020)
- c. West Road Concert Hall Christmas Concert (11 December 2020)
- d. SJSS Christmas Festival (12 December 2020)

- e. Brahms *Ein Deutsches Requiem*, King's College Chapel, Cambridge (23 January 2021)
- f. Christmas Oratorio/Messiah concert at Trinity/St John's Chapel (5 December 2020)

The following tour had been postponed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic:

- a. USA Christmas Tour (December 2020)

All other planned engagements remained unchanged at this time but would be reviewed in due course in line with current government legislation.

a) **BBC Broadcasts (Wednesday 25 – Thursday 26 November 2020)**

The Tutors' Representative congratulated the Choir on a successful live broadcast, and suggested adding the broadcast on Wednesday 10 February to the Choir's calendar, to be circulated to alumni and the College community.

b) **Advent Carol Service (Sunday 29 November 2020)**

The Director of Music confirmed that there now would be one service this year livestreamed via the Choir's YouTube Channel, without congregation.

c) **Online Christmas Concert (Saturday 12 December 2020)**

The Director of Music confirmed that in place of the Christmas concerts the Choir would record a concert of festive music, which would be released on Saturday 12 December 2020, and that the Development Office had kindly agreed to assist with the promotion of this to College alumni and wider audiences. The concert would be livestreamed via the Choir's YouTube page.

(v) **Any Other Business**

None.

8. **Date of next meetings (over Zoom unless otherwise notified), all start at 1.00pm.**

- Thursday, 21 January 2021
- Thursday, 11 March 2021
- Thursday, 6 May 2021
- Thursday, 10 June 2021

**Distribution:** Professor Douglas Hedley (Chair); Miss Hannah Ambrose (Choir Administrator); Ms Camille Chabloz (Development Office); Dr Timothy Chesters (Fellows' Representative); Miss Emma Easterbrook (Assistant Bursar); George Gillow (Senior Organ Scholar); Samuel Jones (Junior Organ Scholar); Julia Morris (Senior Choral Volunteer); Mrs Nicola Robertson (Head of Chapel Office); Mr Graham Ross (Director of Music); the Rev'd Dr Mark Smith (Dean); Harry Swanson (Senior Choral Scholar); and Ms Jocelyn Wyburd (Tutors' Representative).

**For information:** Anthony, Lord Grabiner QC (Master); Mr Bill O'Hearn (Development Director); Dr Jacqueline Tasioulas (Senior Tutor); and Mr Paul Warren (Bursar).

**Miss Hannah Ambrose**

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