

Thornbury Orchestra

Annual General Meeting

3/2/2010

Apologies: Gerry Pell, Mike Speake, Richard Kenchington, Suzanne Leighton, Dick Birdsall, Heather Staley, Christina Thorpe.

1. Minute of Last Meeting

These were accepted as a true record of the previous meeting. Acceptance was proposed by Jenny Parsons and Seconded by Joan Lewis and there was unanimous acceptance by all members.

2. Accounts

Accounts for the year 2009 were tabled, details outlined and there were no questions of clarification. The current finances were healthy due to an increase in membership and a donation of £600 from John Lewis which was aimed at aiding charities by covering concert expenses and paying for under 18's tickets in the audience. It also covered orchestra subs for school attenders. In addition the quartet and quintet playing at the Mall at Christmas had earned £300 which the players had kindly donated to orchestra funds. Magnox North had given the orchestra a grant of £2000 for the composer competition (TO Compose!). Acceptance of the accounts was proposed by Margaret Lambert, Seconded by David Bickley and there was unanimous acceptance by all members.

3. Conductors Report for 2009

Christopher Hill, Musical Director gave his annual report to the Orchestra, highlighting the continued improvements, and the joyous year he had experienced. He thanked leader Janet Lewis for the quiet but clear way she undertook this role and the committee for their support. The Chairman thanked Chris for his hard work, excellent leadership and outstanding patience.

4. Election of Committee

There was one resignation from the committee. Margaret Lambert had to step down for work reasons and Ken Mitchell was prepared to join. All other committee members were prepared to continue and there being no other candidates the Chairman proposed that Ken be elected and all other members of the committee re-elected and this was unanimously approved by the members.

The chairman thanked Margaret for her efficient hard work whilst a committee member and wished her well for the future

5. AOB

The chairman asked who could attend the carnival play if required, there being uncertainty about the size of orchestra needed and only 2 members were unavailable

There was no other business so the meeting was closed