

Wells Operatic Society

AGM 20 March 2020

Owing to the ban on large gatherings because of the Coronavirus pandemic, this meeting was cancelled at short notice. In accordance with the Articles of Association of the Society another AGM was called for **Friday 27 March 2020** and was attended only by the Trustees.

Present: Richard Wright (Chairman), Niamh McGrogan (Secretary), Pauline Perrin (Treasurer), Jo Scammell, Mike Scammell, Liz Carey, Lyn Jones, Adam Lanfranchi, Emma Russell, Sharon Edmonds, Ken Edmonds

Apologies: Graham Brown

Also in attendance at the request of the Trustees: Jacki Watts (Director of *Quartet*)

The Minutes of the 2019 AGM had been displayed on the theatre noticeboard and were accepted as a true record of the meeting.

The Treasurer proposed that Webb & Co remain as our accountants and business advisers.

Proposed: Pauline Perrin

Seconded: Niamh McGrogan

The draft accounts, which had been displayed on the theatre noticeboard, were proposed and adopted.

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Seconded: Richard Wright

Election of Officers: Owing to the difficulties arising from the Coronavirus situation it was agreed that the current officers would continue in office for a further 6 months. If it was appropriate at that end of that time an election would be held.

Future Productions: The following productions had had to be cancelled:

***Quartet* 25 – 28 March 2020 Director: Jacki Watts**

***Big Fish* 4 – 9 May 2020 Director: Niamh McGrogan**

It was agreed that when the ban on public gatherings was lifted *Quartet* would be staged as soon as possible, hopefully in the autumn. Jacki was confident that with a month's notice this would be manageable.

It was also agreed that, until we had a definite date for the ban being lifted, it would be impossible to schedule other shows, the shows affected in 2020 being *Big Fish*, *And Then There Were None* and *Cinderella*. This was going to have a knock-on effect for shows scheduled for 2021/22.

Future Meetings: As it was impossible to schedule any future meetings for the time being, it was agreed that any decisions needing to be taken by the Trustees would be dealt with online.