Minutes Steerers meeting Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025

1. All Steerers were present - Liz Newman (Chair), Chris Mapp (Treasurer), Hether Jenne (Secretary), Heather Minnion, Fritjof Koerber, Lynda Jones, Pauline Mapp.

Because of a kitchen practice following on immediately, we only dealt with current agenda matters

- 2.1 Dance Workshop: There was encouraging attendance and people found it useful. Alison has put notes on the website listed as 'Dance Workshop Notes 27<sup>th</sup> April 2025 by Alison' which covers the dances we learnt/played. Heather M suggested that at a Sunday rehearsal when we don't have imminent gigs, we should expect everyone apart from a few players to have a go (rather than volunteers). Liz will put this to Alison.
- 2.6 It was agreed to email the whole band with the questionnaire results
- 3.1 Bristol Folk Festival (St Georges 4.5.25) Katie Kennedy's session starts immediately after our slot so we must leave promptly. There's a big turnout of band members.
- 3.2 St Stephens Gig 12.5.25 There are 25 signed up. Band to meet 11.30 to rehearse dancing and Briggy roving. And perhaps using the mike. Dances will be Helston Furry (processional entry led by musicians), Katie Kennedy clog dance, waltz Fritjof and Ann Koerber.
- 3.3 Strawberry lunch 22.6.25 in hand setlists being prepared.
- 3.4 no reply from Portishead Seniors yet. Lyn will leave instructions with Heather M to chase
- 3.5 Trendlewood awaiting reply
- 3.6 no other gigs in the offing at present.
- 4.1 current bank balance: £2127 (before payment of workshop expenses probably about £200 due)
- 4.2 In previous meetings the Steerers had discussed switching the BVB bank account from Lloyds Bank to Metro Bank. This discussion had been initiated by the introduction of a monthly administration fee by Lloyds Bank, whilst it had been noted that Metro Bank did not currently impose any fees for an account of BVB's size. FK also had good experience of using Metro Bank through another non-profit organisation. After further discussion, it was unanimously agreed to switch the BVB current bank account from Lloyds Bank to a Community Current Account with Metro Bank. It was noted that Metro Bank will arrange the transfer from the Lloyds account and that standing orders into the account will be redirected. Chris will arrange an in-person appointment to open the account involving the signatories (and their ID) at the Broadmead branch of Metro Bank Fritjof as a current signatory may have to attend as well (Chris will check on arranging the appointment).

The new Metro Bank account should be opened in the name of 'BRIGSTOWE VILLAGE BAND'. It was decided that there will be three signatories – Chris Mapp (Treasurer), Elizabeth Newman (Chair) and Pauline Mapp (Steerer). As is the current position, a single signatory will authorise each transaction.

Details of the old Lloyds account are as follows:

Name of Account: Brigstowe Village Band Type of Account: Community Account

Account Number: 72071768

Sort Code: 30-99-38

5. Date of Next Meeting: Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May by zoom 7pm
NB discussion meeting on roles etc: Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> July in person 2pm
Signed:
Elizabeth Newman (Chair)
Chris Mapp (Treasurer)