

St Peter's Eaton Square	A cake Drinks – asking for financial contributions Catered food Ask choir members to contribute to Paul's leaving present and the party. JW and PH would prepare a budget.	JW/PH
St John's Smith Sq Friday 17 November 2017	"Joshua". As yet no soloists. PS reluctant to select soloists for a new MD. PH would speak to PS. Also, the prose about the concert needed to be with the venue during the summer which would also be prepared by the MD. JW stressed the need to keep alert to this.	PH
Come & Sing 14 October 2017	PeP had approached St Sepulchre's and was still awaiting confirmation. The date and the programme would need to be confirmed with the new MD. Advertising of the Come & Sing should start as soon as the date/venue had been confirmed.	PeP
Cantus Novus Wien, London, joint concert 9 December 2017	Cantus Novus were coming to London in December 2017 and wished to perform a joint Christmas/Advent concert on Saturday 9 December. It was agreed to do this instead of our usual Carol concert and at St Peter's if the Church was available. JE to check. [Secretary's note: provisionally booked – awaiting confirmation.] Rehearsal on Friday 8 December, 1830-2030, followed by a party – venue for party to be identified and booked. It was noted that the Austrian Embassy was very close to St Peter's!	JE
Recruitment of new Musical Director	The choir 'auditioned' three candidates. One candidate decided not to take their application for MD any further. Of the two remaining candidates, the choir had voted 2:1 in favour of one of the candidates. After the auditions and analysis of the reaction and preference questionnaires, JW and PH had taken up references, had follow up conversations with PS, Ian Tindale and Michael Higgins, the independent musicologist on the selection panel. There was strong support around the committee for both candidates and both had their considerable strengths. The Committee felt that both candidates would do a good job for the choir, in different ways. It was decided to go with the candidate who was the clear favourite both of the members of the choir and of the choir's professional musicians. PH would prepare a draft contract to circulate to the Committee with a request for speedy comments, before initiating negotiations. However, should negotiations with the first choice fail, the Committee gave JW and PH a mandate to approach the other candidate. The Committee were asked to keep these discussions confidential until an appointment had been announced.	PH All All
DONM	Committee dates for 2017: 10 April; 19 June; 18 September; 6 November	

The meeting ended at 2110 hours.