Palmerston North Choral Society (Inc.)

Palmerston North New Zealand

MINUTES FOR COMMITTEE MEETING 20 June 2026 at 9.30 a.m.

Present: Myra Smith MS, Robert Van Bentum (Acting chair) RV, John Chittenden JC. Roy Tankersley RT

M**inutes of the previous meeting** It was agreed the minutes of the May meeting be confirmed. SB

Matter arising from Minutes

Correspondence

Inward

- Several responses to advert for website management.
- Correspondence relating to appointment of new MD (in committee)

Outward

Financial Report.

Westpac current account Cr $13,465.25 Term Deposit $10,175.28.

Account activity for period14 May to 15 June 2026 comprised:

- Expenditure of $344.20
- Income (2 subs and donation) $210.00

Committee approved the following payments:

- Music Director $1,440.00
- IRD tax on above $360

It was agreed the financial report be received and payments approved RV/JC

Librarian's Report.

Publicity. President Sue and her husband Murray have agreed to take over the publicity role

Concert Planning

Sing Fest. Tuesday 30th June at Pathways 30 June. Four local choirs plus the New Zealand Youth Choir will perform. Given the number of choristers in the space available, ticket sales will probably be limited.

Concert 2 – Shaky Places at Pathways 5 September

- Soloists and Musicians – recommended payments:

Pianist	Myra	
Clarinet	Ingrid Vlieg	$150
Flautist	Diana Neild	$250
Sop. Soloist	Rachael Turner	$250
Bass Guitar	Neville Lauridsen	$150
Cellist	Alison Mullins	$150
Bass Soloist	Daniel Hodgetts	$150
Waiata	Prya Simon	$150
Readers	Mark Kilsby	$100
	Jenny Hornblow	$100

Myra will make initial contact with musicians.

Practices. Roy will arrange individual practices – otherwise spread with choir on 17th and 24th August and full technical practice on the eve of the performance. Roy to arrange music with Felicity Edgecombe.

Concert 3 - To be arranged.

Selection and appointment of Musical Director

Selection committee will now be Sue, Myra and Jenny Boyack. A tentative date has been set to meet with one applicant.

General Business

Staging Stored at Cathedral of the Holy Spirit Awaiting a response from Cathedral.

Choral Society Website Robert has advertised in Student Job Search and received eight responses to date. We need to update the format of the website and thereafter update it periodically. It was agreed that Robert proceed at a suggested remuneration rate of $30 per hour with ceiling of $1,000 for this year. RV/JC

Invitation to perform at Lions Club Market Day Invitation has been received from Adrian Molenaar for the Choir to perform at Mid-Central Lions Club Market Day on 5th September. It was agreed that the staging arrangements would be unsuitable for our members and the invitation is to be declined. JC to advise Mt Molenaar.

Next Meeting: 9.30 am Sat 2026 at 4 Balcairn Place? To be arranged.

The meeting closed at 10.50 am