

Wakeylele Band

Minutes of the committee meeting held on 16th January 2026 at 6.00pm at Walton Sports & Social Club.

1. Apologies for absence.

No apologies for absence.

Present ; Joe Fisher (JF), Margaret Walker (MW), Richard Hancock (RH) Chris Hayward-Poole (CHP) Beryl Haigh (BH) Richard Potts (RP).

2. To receive a copy of the final accounts for 2025 from Treasurer.

MW presented the audited accounts for 2025 showing a closing balance of £802.14p. These accounts will be presented to the AGM.

3. To receive an updated copy of the asset register.

MW presented an updated asset register to the committee.

4. To discuss the setting of a calendar of meetings for 2026 (i.e. make decisions about bank holidays and summer break).

A calendar of gigs was presented by JF, it was agreed to remove the March 5th and December 19th gigs from the calendar, RP to inform YAA. The summer break was agreed to be from July 25th returning back September 15th. The committee thought the number of gigs were acceptable and allowed for smaller gigs to be accepted should they be proposed at a later date.

5. To receive items from the membership for the 3rd AGM scheduled for February 3rd 2026 at 7pm.

A draft agenda for the AGM was presented by JF, after discussion it was resolved that the agenda was acceptable with point 6 (AOB) removed. In total the committee received 4 items from the membership to be included for discussion at the AGM. Each item was discussed at length.

The contributors will be informed of the committee decisions and MW is to formulate a draft reply from the committee.

6. To discuss the leadership and musical direction of the band.

An additional suggestion was for band member Pippa Tunstall to become a musical leader for Tuesday sessions, it was resolved to offer a February slot to PT as a trial. The committees views were the band need established leaders possibly 3 or 4 in total instead of the large number we have now. It was resolved we need to discuss this at the AGM to establish who is willing to accept this commitment.

7 A.O.B.

Succession planning was discussed and it was resolved the only two positions required to do this were Treasurer and Media / IT Co-ordinator, The Treasurer had already done this by holding a folder that could be passed to the committee in the face of any unforeseen event. RH stated he would

establish a succession procedure for the website and ensure committee members were aware of the process.

RH explained the old website address used by Wakeylele was now being used by another company but not in opposition to the band.

Wakeylele Committee Meeting - June 2nd 2026 6.15pm.

Present: M Walker (MW) - B Haigh (BH) - C Haywood-Poole (CHP) - J Fisher (JF)

AGENDA

1. Email to J Fisher from David Broadbent relating to songs on the website he produced and is unable to access.

JF explained that he had spoken with David Broadbent and explained that when he left he gave permission to the group to use all songs he had adapted. JF explained to him that some songs had now been removed and others had been altered meaning they were no longer in the format he had left them. He accepted this but stated he still wanted access to the website. JF explained to him that the committee left the running of the website to Richard Hancock and the committee fully supported him and all of his processes, which were, only members and those authorised by Richard would be allowed to access songs. David eventually accepted this and acknowledged his relationship with Richard was fragile, so he would not be requesting access.

2. Gigs.

MW suggested that members who suggested any gigs, should follow the agreed procedure which is, liaising with Richard who would place it on the website, in the calendar, to allow, registration, song list and the agreed leader to be displayed. This is the standard procedure and the committee unanimously agreed this should be followed. JF agreed to present this to full membership tonight 2nd June 2026.

3. 80th Birthday gifts for members.

MW explained that it had been custom to present those reaching the age of 80 with a present equivalent to a bottle of whisky, this had been done a small number of times this year and there was one remaining member who would reach this age in 2026. She suggested we present this member with a bottle of whisky and then put it to the AGM if this practice should continue. All committee members agreed.

Meeting closed 7pm.