

Information for members attending rehearsals.

(Oct 2021 updates highlighted in red)

We had hoped that as time passed we would be able to take a more relaxed approach to rehearsal arrangements but the current growth in the number of Covid cases has led us to amend these protocols accordingly. The most important change is in red.

- We guarantee that the rehearsal space will be well ventilated at all times and that we will continuously monitor the air quality.
- That we will keep a record of attendees at all rehearsals.
- That seating will be well spaced.
- That we will inform you quickly as soon as we have been advised of any cases of Covid within the group.

Before rehearsal we strongly recommend

- That you do not return to choir until two weeks after your second vaccination and that you receive a booster vaccination as soon as you are eligible.
- That you update your Covid status by carrying out a negative lateral flow test within 48 hours of any rehearsal or performance.
- That you inform the secretary or your section rep if you have a positive Covid test result within a few days of attending a rehearsal.
- That you do not attend rehearsal if you feel unwell, even if you do not suspect Covid.
- That you do not attend if you have been in contact with somebody who may have Covid or if you have been contacted by the NHS in this respect.

Arrival and Departure

- Arrive in good time to sign in and collect music. By signing in you will be agreeing that you have no symptoms of Covid 19 and have not been in close contact with anyone who has.
- **We request that you wear a mask or visor at all times within the building. This includes when you are singing (see below).**
- Observe social distancing.
- Leave promptly and save social conversations until you are outside.

During rehearsal we ask that you

- Only sit on marked seats and do not save seats for friends.
- Fill rows of seats from one end only and without leaving any marked seat empty.
- Remain in your seat throughout the rehearsal.
- For the time being there will be no refreshments in our brief break so please bring your own drink.
- Avoid sharing equipment or music. FPC will ensure that everybody has the required music and pencils will be available for a small donation, if you forget yours.
- **Please wear a mask or clear visor when singing. Arrangements will be made for those who are unable to wear a face covering to sit in the front two rows. Visors will be available for a donation (£1 suggested amount) at each rehearsal.**

We can all be forgetful so please do not be offended if somebody reminds you to observe some of these measures.