

THE CHICHESTER SINGERS
REHEARSALS in September 2020
RULES AND PROCEDURES

1. **Whatever rules and procedures we put in place, members must take personal responsibility for minimising the risk to themselves and each other. This must include avoiding rehearsals if necessary, social distancing, no hugging or handshaking, wearing masks when specified, keeping hands clean and ensuring that coughs and sneezes are caught in handkerchief, mask or crook of elbow.**

Before attending rehearsals

2. Members **must not** attend rehearsals if
 1. they have health issues which make them vulnerable
 2. they believe they may have been exposed to the virus
 3. they are feeling unwell for any reason
 4. they are required to quarantine or self-isolate by regulations in force, e.g. as a result of foreign travel or 'test, track and trace' requirements.

Please check before each rehearsal that you meet these conditions and let Wendy Bray know if you cannot attend.

3. Members must bring masks, hand sanitiser and water bottles as well as their scores to rehearsals. Sharing will not be possible and there will be no spare scores available to borrow.

On arrival at St Paul's

4. In order to meet the demands of the venue members are requested to wear masks or face coverings on arrival and departure, and if moving around during the rehearsal (e.g. using the toilets). We will not be requiring wearing of masks during singing, but members are free to do so if they wish.
5. On entering the hall members should use their hand sanitiser. They will be checked against the register and will be directed to a designated seat. Singers should remain in their seats and keep possessions close to their chairs.

During the rehearsal

6. There will not be a break during the rehearsal. If members need the toilets they can leave the rehearsal to do so, wearing a mask, maintaining social distancing and using hand sanitiser on re-entering the hall.
7. At the end of the rehearsal members will be asked to leave a row at a time from the back and should take all their belongings with them.

General points

8. Inside the church members must abide by social distancing rules, staying a minimum of 2 metres from others not in their household. Whenever this is not possible, masks should be worn. Within the hall there can be no 'socialising' and moving around should be kept to a minimum. Members can chat outside the church while observing social distancing.
9. Singing (and speaking) should be kept at low volume as far as possible in order to minimise aerosol generation.
10. Members should dress to take account of the likelihood of doors and windows being left open.