

Provisional Plan March Revision

On 14th December we published a Provisional Plan to restart rehearsals which we can now revise in the light of recent developments, particularly HMG's Roadmap. For us, the critical part of the Roadmap is STEP 4 when '*All limits on social contact indoors or outdoors are lifted*' timed for '*no earlier than 21st June*'.

1. If STEP 4 is taken in full on 21st June, then our proposed Summer Rehearsal Period under Carleton's direction could run from **Tuesday 22nd June to Tuesday 27th July**.
2. The Autumn Term is scheduled to start on **Tuesday 7th September** giving just 9 rehearsals before a **Saturday 6th November Concert** (Handel and Linley). This has been provisionally booked. (Other late autumn dates are unavailable for a variety of reasons.)
3. The date for the biennial Christmas Concert remains **Tuesday 21st December**, with 6 rehearsals beginning on 9th November.
4. As soon as a date is confirmed for the legal restart of normal rehearsals, an Annual Subscription for 2021-2022 **including the Summer Rehearsal Period** will be decided and will become payable on or before that date.
5. We will return to the usual Seasonal Pattern in 2022, with concert dates provisionally booked for **7th May and 3rd December 2022**.
6. The original Provisional Plan indicated that normal rehearsals would resume '*when it is safe, legal and practical to do so*'. The above covers the legal position. Safety will be increased if all members take up all vaccination opportunities, so please do so. Practicalities will be down to the usual people but please respond promptly to questionnaires, subscription requests etc.

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We promised to review the Covid situation in December and report back. Obviously, rehearsals from January to Easter and the 8th May concert are cancelled. However, if the vaccination programme goes to plan, there could be a return to something closer to normal in the spring. This enables us to make **provisional plans for 2021** that would allow us to start singing together again sooner rather than later. The plan comprises:

1. A once only **Summer Rehearsal Period** (length to be agreed) under Carleton's direction, starting in May, June or even July, depending on when it is safe, legal and practical to do so. Timing and details should become clearer by late winter.
2. The Autumn Term will start on **Tuesday 7th September** giving just 9 rehearsals before a **Saturday 6th November Concert**. This has been provisionally booked. (Other late autumn dates are unavailable for a variety of reasons.)
3. Carleton has agreed that we would perform the postponed **Handel/Linley** programme on that date.
4. The date for the biennial **Christmas Concert remains Tuesday 21st December**, with 6 rehearsals beginning on 9th November.
5. Once the plan is confirmed, membership for the period to the end of August would be secured by payment of an appropriate subscription (to be decided). Fresh annual subscriptions for 2021-22 will become due on 7th September.
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