



## Guiding Document

Milton Keynes Chorale offers its members high musical standards, enjoyment, and the deep satisfaction of making great music together. Entry is by audition, but we are not and do not aim to be an élite choir. We include all those who seek the benefits we offer and are committed to fulfilling the responsibilities that go with them.

### WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT TO GAIN

In return for fulfilling the responsibilities of a member of the choir, you can expect to:

1. Experience the joy and deep satisfaction of making music together in rehearsal and performance.
2. Enrich the musical life of Milton Keynes and its hinterland.
3. Sing alongside committed, enthusiastic and experienced choral singers.
4. Meet like-minded people and make friends through singing together.
5. Rehearse under the direction of a professional Musical Director and Assistant Musical Director.
6. Contribute to up to four performances of choral music each year.
7. Share performances with professional soloists, instrumentalists and orchestras.
8. Develop your singing skills by working and learning with others, led by professional choral musicians.
9. Develop your wider musical skills and knowledge.
10. Learn of opportunities to participate in other musical events.
11. Be kept informed by the choir's Board about its work on behalf of the members.
12. Help to shape the work and future of the choir through your active participation.
13. Have the opportunity to play your part in the organisation and management of the choir.

## WHAT IS EXPECTED OF YOU

To gain the benefits of membership, you will be expected to:

1. Meet the choir's entry standards through audition.
2. Work together to achieve the highest musical standards within our capabilities.
3. Make a positive effort to get to know the singers around you.
4. Help other members to get the most out of their membership.
5. Prepare for rehearsals at home by getting to know the music and learning your part.
6. Sing and learn in rehearsals, weekly in school term-time.
7. Help create successful rehearsals through care, commitment, and attention.
8. Sing in concerts, unless you really can't be available.
9. Participate in periodic voice appraisal.
10. Observe the choir's Codes of Conduct for rehearsals and performances.
11. Share (in small ways) in the practical work of organising rehearsals and concerts.
12. Help the choir run smoothly by being punctual and responding promptly to requests for information.
13. Keep yourself well informed about the choir's programme of activities and your role in them.
14. Sell tickets for concerts and workshops to your friends and family
15. Help to publicise concerts and workshops in your local community
16. Pay the annual subscription promptly.

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