

The arrangements and expectations of members listed below have been put in place by the Committee of Sheffield Bach Society to meet the most up to date national guidance. The primary objective is to enable the choir to meet again safely and enable members to feel confident that all reasonable steps have been taken to reduce the risk of infection. The guidance will be kept under review and relaxed/changed as soon as it is safe to do so. The Committee will meet after the first three rehearsals to review the arrangements.

### Rehearsals with run from 7.30pm to 9.00pm until further notice

#### Before rehearsal

Do not come to rehearsal if:

- you have symptoms / feel unwell
- you have tested positive (PCR or Lateral flow)
- you have been told to self-isolate
- someone you have close contact with has tested positive
- you are quarantining after a visit abroad

We encourage regular use lateral flow tests and take-up of vaccination

The venue will be cleaned before our rehearsal

Think about mode of transport to rehearsal to reduce risk of infection

Members are asked to voluntarily inform secretary IN CONFIDENCE of vaccination status to enable a % to be shared with members to aid confidence

If parked in Waitrose, ensure Tony Cowling [tony@ajcowling.me.uk](mailto:tony@ajcowling.me.uk) has your up-to-date registration and inform him on arrival

Members are asked to wait outside until door is opened at 7.25pm for 7.30pm start

#### During rehearsal

There will be no signing in sheet. The secretary will note who is present and take a photo to capture where members were seated. *(This is to enable close contacts to be notified in the event of an infection and photos will be deleted on the following Monday)*

Maintain a minimum 1m social distancing during rehearsal. Seats will be arranged to allow this

Members are asked not to talk during the rehearsal and restrict social 'chat' to outside the building

Be respectful of each other's space

Wear a face mask when not singing

We will keep doors and windows open for as long as practicable - consider bringing warm clothing!

Sanitise your hands regularly

Follow any protocols the venue has in place

Use only the toilets on the ground floor unless rehearsing upstairs

Avoid touching shared surfaces as much as possible

Bring your own refreshments

If you feel unwell during the rehearsal, inform the secretary, leave the rehearsal and follow NHS procedures

Members are asked to leave the building promptly at the end of the rehearsal

#### Notes

If you wish to discuss in confidence any of the above measures, please contact the Secretary [secretary@sheffieldbachchoir.org.uk](mailto:secretary@sheffieldbachchoir.org.uk)

We will provide a few spare face masks and hand gel but please help by bringing your own

Even if you have been vaccinated, you will need to comply with the expectations above

Observing this guidance will assist our members and thousands of other singers across the country to begin music making again

The full Risk Assessment on which this guidance is based will be available at [www.sheffieldbachchoir.org.uk](http://www.sheffieldbachchoir.org.uk)