

Portobello Orchestra

Implementing our COVID-19 risk assessment: requirements for attending rehearsals

This document supplements our risk assessment and sets out requirements that must be followed when attending rehearsals under Tier 2 conditions. Social contact and any kind of “mingling” are prohibited, and we must stay at least 2 metres apart from each other at all times. Compliance is mandatory, and a condition of our continued use of the church.

All those attending rehearsals should have read the Portobello Orchestra Covid-19 risk assessment and must comply scrupulously with the following:

- You must register for each rehearsal **in advance**, via the website.
- You **must not attend** if you have any Covid symptoms, or have been in contact with anyone who has symptoms, or are otherwise required to self-isolate.
- Avoid travelling to rehearsals by public transport, as far as possible.
- The seating will be set up in advance by a dedicated set-up team. If you are not part of that team, **please do not arrive before 7.20 pm**.
- Enter the church individually. Queue 2 metres apart if necessary – do not form a group round the door.
- You must use hand sanitizer on arrival. Then go straight to your allocated seat (cellos and basses via the dedicated unpacking area) **and remain there**. The seating plan is on the website. Do not move the chairs, which will have been set up the appropriate distance apart.
- You must wear a mask throughout (except wind players when actually playing). Your mask must cover your nose as well as your mouth.
- You must remain at least 2 metres from anyone else - including other members of your section - **AT ALL TIMES**, including during the break. During the break you should remain at your seat if you can. Bring your own water – refreshments will not be provided. **Remember that social contact is not permitted indoors in any setting.**
- Please avoid using the toilets at the venue, if possible. If you do use the toilet, you must wipe down all touch points with a sanitizing wipe.
- You must bring your own stand and music (and lights if required) to every rehearsal. Items must not be shared. Take all your belongings, and any rubbish, away with you at the end.
- At the end of the rehearsal, a dedicated team will sanitize and put away the chairs. If you are not a member of that team, please pack up and leave promptly, maintaining 2m distance from anyone else. Do not linger outside the church.
- If you develop Covid symptoms within 14 days of attending a rehearsal, you must inform the designated committee member who will inform the venue and track and trace etc.