

GLOBAL HARMONY COMMUNITY CHOIR
CONSTITUTION

1. Name of the organisation:- **Global Harmony (This may include a smaller group from within the choir)**
2. The purpose of the organisation is:- **To promote opportunities to enjoy accessible music making of the highest standards in a friendly, supportive community setting.**
3. Membership of Global Harmony is open to all **adults (age 18 and over)** on payment of a termly subscription and no application for membership will be refused unreasonably, as long as the choir stays within a reasonable size. **No person shall be denied membership on the grounds of disability, religion or cost.** Membership of the smaller group, when such a group exists, will be at the discretion of the Musical Director. Members of such a group must also remain members of Global Harmony.
4. Global Harmony meets once a week generally during school terms. Global Harmony will endeavour to perform a minimum of three concerts per year.
5. An Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held at which the accounts will be presented to the members. A minimum of 30 days notice will be given before the AGM at which the Officers and Committee will be elected by majority vote.
6. The Officers of the organisation will be:- Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. Up to four other elected members will make up the committee.
7. The Committee will be responsible for the day-to-day running of the choir. Where major decisions concerning the operation or financial future of the choir are required a majority vote of choir members present will prevail. Minutes of all committee meetings will be made available to members.
8. A committee member is deemed to have vacated his/her office if he/she fails to attend three consecutive meetings without apology.

9. The Committee and Musical Director will work as a team for the best interests of the choir. The Musical Director will lead rehearsals and conduct concerts and will manage the repertoire taking due account of the wishes of choir members. The Committee will endeavour to provide continuity of singing activities in the event of the Musical Director being unable to do so. The Musical Director is welcome to attend committee meetings but has no voting rights.

10. Changes to the constitution, election of committee members and agreement to close the organisation can only be made at the AGM or at a special meeting to which all members are invited. Thirty days written notice must be given to all members before such a meeting.

11. If the group is dissolved, any grant aided equipment or outstanding grants will be returned. The balance of the assets will be given to a charity agreed by the members.

12. This constitution was adopted on 5 November 2007 and amended on 22 March 2010.

13. Signed:-(Secretary)