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Dear Ensemble member, Parent, Guardian or Carer

Music Ensembles – September 2018

From the start of the new academic year in September 2018 all the current Music Service led ensembles will no longer be accommodated in The Friary building.

I know that the Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan Music Service has long been associated with the building but over recent years due to changes in its day time usage and the accumulation of a significant repairs backlog it has become financially unviable for the Council to continue to operate the building and lease the property from the owners, the Principality Building Society.

Officers of the Council have negotiated an effective release from the current lease agreement and the building will be vacated at the end of August 2018. Over that last few months we have been working with Ensemble Leads to identify suitable venues for the ensembles and before the Ensembles start, back in September you will be sent further details of arrangements for the individual ensemble for which you are a member. It is important therefore that your current Ensemble has the correct address details.

We have worked hard to keep each Ensemble on the same day and at the same time and with the exception of the Transitional Orchestra this has been achieved. (a separate letter is being sent to all members of the Transitional Orchestra)

On the reverse of this letter is a full listing of the Ensembles and the venue for rehearsals from September 2018.

In summary, the Ensembles will be accommodated across three sites; Chapter Arts Centre, Whitchurch High School (Lower Site) and Ysgol Gyfun Gymraeg Glantaf.

Investment is being made on the three sites to enable the Ensembles to rehearse and for the Music Service to continue to provide opportunities for music tuition, rehearsal and performance. We are also hoping that the

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Mae'r Cyngor yn croesawu gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg, Saesneg neu'n ddwyieithog. Byddwn yn cyfathrebu â chi yn ôl eich dewis, dim ond i chi roi gwybod i ni pa un sydd well gennych. Ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

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accommodation at the Chapter Arts Centre will enable the Music Service to offer other opportunities for further tuition and music examinations.

I hope that you are able to continue to support the Music Service and look forward to seeing you in September.

Yours sincerely,

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Neil Hardee
Head of Performance, Resources and Services

Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan Music Service
Ensemble Venues for September 2018

| Venue | Ensemble |
|--|-------------------------|
| Chapter Arts Centre | Transitional Wind Band |
| Market Road | Senior Wind Band |
| Cardiff, CF15 1QE | Training Choir |
| | Junior Guitar |
| | Senior Guitar |
| | High Schools Brass Band |
| | Junior Jazz |
| | Jazz News |
| | Youth Choir |
| | Beginners Brass |
| | Foundation Band |
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| Ysgol Gyfun Gymraeg Glantaf | Youth Brass Band |
| Bridge Road, Llandaff North, Cardiff | |
| CF14 2JL | |
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| Whitchurch High School (Lower Site) | Foundation Orchestra |
| Penlline Road | Symphonic Brass |
| Cardiff, CF14 2XJ | Youth Orchestra |
| | High Schools Orchestra |
| | Percussion Classes |