

County Ensembles Membership Information

2016 - 2017



Lancashire's County Ensembles

Bringing together talented young musicians from across Lancashire

For over 50 years, generations of young people from across Lancashire have been making music together in our county ensembles. Building on this long history, the six ensembles we have today are vibrant, aspirational and exciting to be part of. They meet the needs of young musicians in 2016.

Lancashire Music Services County Ensembles enable committed young musicians to take their music making to an advanced level, working alongside professional directors and tutors. The opportunity to be part of an ensemble is an important achievement and something that people remember for the rest of their lives. These young people are following the path of many musicians before them, but they are also shaping our county's musical future and inspiring the next generation.

I look forward to welcoming you at our rehearsals and concerts.

Cath Sewell
Regional Manager (County Ensembles)

Ensembles 2016/17

Lancashire Youth Brass Band

Saturday 10am – 3.30pm, Woodlands Centre, Southport Road, Chorley PR7 1QR
Minimum Standard: Grade 4 (or equivalent)
Musical Director: Helen Minshall 07825 431435

Lancashire Youth Concert Band

Saturday 10am – 3.30pm, Lostock Hall Academy, Todd Lane North, Lostock Hall PR5 5UR
Minimum Standard: Grade 5 or equivalent
Musical Director: Howard Lorrigan 07825 431450

Lancashire Youth Jazz Orchestra

Saturday 10am – 3.30pm, Woodlands Centre, Southport Road, Chorley PR7 1QR
Minimum Standard: Grade 6 or equivalent
Musical Director: Paul Rigby 07825 583955

Lancashire Schools Jazz Orchestra

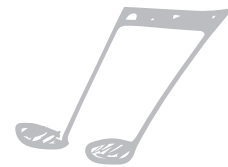
Saturday 10am – 3.30pm, Woodlands Centre, Southport Road, Chorley PR7 1QR
Minimum Standard: Grade 4 or equivalent
Musical Director: Nikki Coupe 07825 431467

Lancashire Youth Symphony Orchestra

Sunday 10am – 3.30pm, Lostock Hall Academy, Todd Lane North, Lostock Hall PR5 5UR
Minimum Standard: Grade 5 (strings Grade 4) or equivalent
Musical Director: Helen Harrison 07825 584698

Lancashire Schools Symphony Orchestra

Sunday 10am – 3.30pm, Lostock Hall Academy, Todd Lane North, Lostock Hall PR5 5UR
Minimum Standard: Grade 4 (strings Grade 3) or equivalent
Musical Director: James Cairns 07825 431459



Programme of Activities



Rehearsals take place 16 times over the academic year. They are usually every fortnight for a full day, with breaks over the Christmas, Easter and Summer holidays. The length of the rehearsal gives time for the group to develop as an ensemble, with the morning often used for smaller sectional rehearsals.

Performances take place throughout the year and they are often arranged in partnership with other County Ensembles, community organisations and charities, festivals, professional ensembles, schools, and our Regional Music Centres. When appropriate, our County Ensembles have also taken part in festivals and competitions such as Music for Youth and National Youth Brass Band Championships.

Residential Courses are arranged once per year for each ensemble. These are an important opportunity for the ensemble's musical and social development and are a highlight of the year for many members.

Tours, both in the UK and further afield, are an exciting part of being in a county ensemble and are arranged in consultation with parents and ensemble members. As well as performances, they often include the chance to meet other young musicians, see concerts and take part in other activities.

Workshops are one off opportunities which enable county ensemble members to work with a range of tutors and professional musicians to further develop their musical skills and creativity. County Ensemble members also take part in workshops designed to inspire younger musicians in schools and music centres.

Youth Leadership and Consultation

County Ensembles are run for the benefit of the young people who take part and it is vital that members feel a sense of ownership of their ensemble. We are committed to asking for feedback and consulting members, involving them in decisions we make. We are also developing opportunities for County Ensemble members to produce and programme their own events.

Commitment

Being a member of a County Ensemble is a fantastic opportunity to be part of a team – as a musician, you rely on others in your ensemble and they rely on you. We therefore ask that all members are committed to attending all rehearsals, courses and concerts. We recognise that there is a lot of pressure on students in school years 11, 12 and 13 and do our best to limit activities in the exam period.



FAQs

How do I join?

Membership is by audition (if your child hasn't already auditioned please contact Ann Connal). Following the offer of a place, we need your membership form and medical form returned before you attend a rehearsal. You can do this by completing the forms at the back of this brochure or online at www.LMSenrol.co.uk.

How much does it cost?

We charge £95 per year to be a member of a County Ensemble. This covers approximately 30% of the cost of the place, with the majority of the remainder subsidised through our Music Hub funding from Arts Council England. We charge £160 for our residential courses and the cost of tours varies.

Is there any help available with fees?

Members who qualify for Pupil Premium (free school meals) are exempt from fees and families with three children in the County Ensembles, will receive third child's membership free.

You can also apply for help with fees to organisations such as Awards for Young Musicians www.a-y-m.org or Future Talent www.futuretalent.org

Where can I find the rehearsal and concert dates?

These will be emailed to you before the start of term and hard copies will be available at the first rehearsal. They can also be found at www.lancashiremusicclub.co.uk/parents/. Dates are occasionally changed or added throughout the year and you will be notified of these changes at rehearsals and by email. Please respond promptly to emails asking about availability.

We also have a Lancashire Music Hub newsletter which goes out to all parents 6 times a year with musical news and opportunities from across the county.

How do I contact the Music Service?

For most day to day queries the best person to contact is Ann Connal who looks after the administration for all County Ensembles ann.connal@lancashire.gov.uk 01257 517108.

You can contact the Musical Director for your ensemble by phone (see page 2).

The Music Service Senior Manager responsible for County Ensembles is Cath Sewell cath.sewell@lancashire.gov.uk 01257 517111.

What if my child can't come to a rehearsal or event?

We do expect members to be committed to all rehearsals and concerts but, if absence is unavoidable, please give us as much notice as possible. Please email Ann Connal anytime up to 4pm on the Friday before the rehearsal or event, after this time please text the Musical Director as well as emailing Ann.

What happens at lunch and break time?

Members can eat packed lunches at the rehearsal venue. Some ensembles also run a tuck shop. Lunch and break times are supervised by Lancashire Music Service staff. Members aged under 18 are not allowed off site without written permission from their parent/carer.

What if my child doesn't have the right instrument?

Most members of County Ensembles play their own instrument but Lancashire Music Service does have instruments available to loan if these are required. Members may also be given the opportunity to play more unusual instruments (such as bass clarinet, soprano saxophone, cor anglais, bass trombone, piccolo) and these are also available on loan.

Can parents volunteer to help out?

Yes! We often need parents to help out at concerts and events. Another way to help is to arrange to share lifts with someone you know is travelling from your area. For more information about how you can help, please contact Ann Connal.

Terms and Conditions

Health and Safety/Safeguarding

Lancashire Music Service Staff will take every reasonable precaution to ensure the health, safety and welfare of all County Ensemble students and visitors.

All Lancashire Music Service Staff are appropriately qualified and appointed in line with the Safer Recruitment guidelines after interview, audition, medical and Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) enhanced checks. All staff are updated with new developments through a programme of in service training, including Child Protection, Lancashire Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB), e-learning for Sexual Exploitation, Disqualification by Association, Information Governance and Health and Safety.

Any visiting adults without a Lancashire DBS will be supervised by LMS staff.

1. Lancashire Music Service staff will be responsible for the Health and Safety of students and adults whilst on the premises and a qualified first aider will be in attendance at each rehearsal/event (Lancashire Music Service staff member)
2. The safety of students travelling to and from the rehearsals/events is the responsibility of the Parent/Carer.
3. In the interests of safeguarding, it is requested that adults who are on the premises whilst accompanying pupils to and from instrumental lessons and ensembles restrict their movement to a designated area (check with the Musical Director).
4. Parents/Carers are asked to ensure their child understands that students under the age of 18 **MUST NOT LEAVE THE PREMISES DURING AND BETWEEN LESSONS AND ENSEMBLES** without written permission from a parent or carer.
5. The County Ensembles use the school/venue by permission of the head teacher/centre manager. It is therefore essential that every student exhibits only the highest standard of personal conduct whilst on the premises. We reserve the right to withdraw a student from an activity in the event of unacceptable behaviour.
6. Students must enter the venue by the main entrance only and sign the attendance register when entering and leaving the premises.
7. All decisions and instructions from staff should be respected and followed at all times. We reserve the right to withdraw a student from an activity in the event of unacceptable behaviour.
8. All students and adults who use the premises are urged to acquaint themselves thoroughly with the emergency procedures in case of fire. These instructions are prominently displayed on walls.
9. It is requested that when parents/carers and students drive cars into School/College grounds they do so with extreme care and at their own risk.
10. The Music Service accepts no responsibility for the security of personal belongings

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Billing Information

PLEASE WAIT FOR AN INVOICE BEFORE MAKING ANY PAYMENTS

1. County Ensembles Membership fees are payable annually at the start of a new academic year (non refundable). Each County Ensemble member is entitled to receive FREE Music Centre Ensemble activities at one Music Centre.

CHARGES £95.00 per annum September 2016-July 2017

Pro rata £65.00 January 2017-July 2017

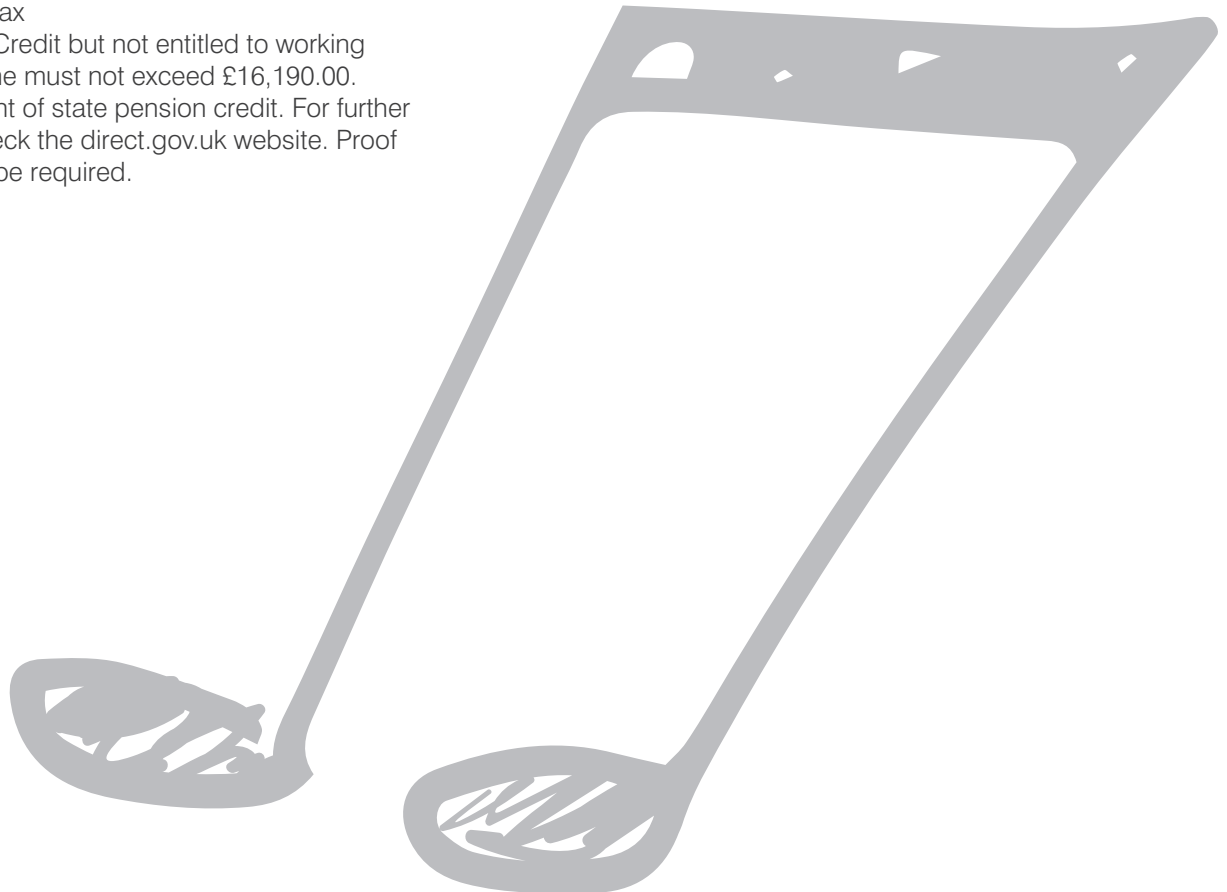
Pro rata £35.00 April 2017-July 2017

Exemption from County Membership Fees

- Families with three children or more in the county ensembles will receive Third Family membership FREE.
- If you qualify for pupil premium (e.g. Free School meals). You are exempt from County Ensemble Membership Fees.

To claim, you must be in receipt of one of the following benefits: Income Support, job seekers income based allowance, Child tax Credit, Universal Credit but not entitled to working tax credit & income must not exceed £16,190.00. Guarantee element of state pension credit. For further details please check the direct.gov.uk website. Proof of exemption will be required.

2. County Hall Income and Debt Management Team will issue an invoice for membership fees once per annum and when invoices are raised they are due for immediate payment. If payment is not received /a repayment plan has not been set up within 30 days of the date on your invoice we will withdraw your child from all County Ensembles Activities. You will still be liable for payments for duration of the current membership.
3. County Ensembles Membership Fees will be automatically renewed at the start of the new academic year unless we receive notification requesting to withdraw from membership.
4. Cancellation Policy – If you wish to withdraw your child from County Ensembles Activities, please notify Ann Connal in writing by emailing: Ann.Connal@lancashire.gov.uk or post to: Lancashire Music Service, The Woodlands Centre, Southport Road, CHORLEY, Lancashire PR7 1QR



Music Centres

Our network of Music Centres across the county offer regular, after-school opportunities for young musicians of all levels of experience to play together in bands and ensembles. They offer an ideal progression route for those who have only been learning a few months, alongside opportunities for more advanced students. A range of group and individual tuition is available at all of our centres and we run Arts Award sessions at Preston and Burnley Music Centres.

For up to date details and times of activities at each centre please visit www.lancashiremusichub.co.uk/parents or contact the Head of Centre listed below.



Lancaster (Thursday) - Lancaster Royal Grammar School, East Road, Lancaster LA1 3EF
Head of Lancaster Music Centre - David Shooter 07887 830989

Poulton (Wednesday) - Hodgson School, Moorland Road, Poulton-le-Fylde FY6 7EU
Lytham (Thursday) - Lytham St Annes Technology and Performing Arts College, Worsley Road, Lytham St Annes FY8 4DG
Kirkham (Monday) - Carr Hill High School and Sixth Form Centre, Royal Avenue, Kirkham PR4 2ST
Head of Poulton, Lytham and Kirkham Music Centres - Gary Fox 07887 830990

Preston (Tuesday and Thursday) - Fulwood Academy, Black Bull Lane, Preston PR2 9YR
Head of Preston Music Centre - Nick Powlesland 07887 831564

Ormskirk (Wednesday) - Ormskirk School, Wigan Road, Ormskirk L39 2AT
Head of Ormskirk Music Centre - Keith Sagar 07850 025785

Chorley (Monday) - Southlands School, Clover Road, Chorley PR7 2NJ
Head of Chorley Music Centre - Josette Coupe 07887 830991

Rossendale (Wednesday) - Fearn Community Sports College, Fearn Moss, Stacksteads OL13 0TG
Head of Rossendale Music Centre - Victoria Fletcher 07887 830993

Clitheroe (Tuesday) - St Augustine's RC High School, Elker Lane, Billington, Clitheroe BB7 9JA
Head of Clitheroe Music Centre - Christine Lorriman 07796 302705

Burnley (Tuesday) - Shuttleworth College, Burnley Road, Padiham BB12 8ST
Head of Burnley Music Centre - Abbey Blackledge 07825 755499

Pendle (Thursday) - Pendle Vale College, Oxford Road, Nelson BB9 8JG
Head of Pendle Music Centre - Karen Hoyle 07887 830994

For up to date details and times of activities at each centre please visit www.lancashiremusichub.co.uk or contact the Head of Centre.

You can also contact Pauline Franic (Administration) **01257 517113 pauline.franic@lancashire.gov.uk**

Costs

Annual Membership	
Access to all ensembles	£45.00
Tuition Charges	
Small Group	
(Max 4 pupils per group)	£6.50 p/lesson
20 minute individual	£10.50 p/lesson
30 minute individual	£12.50 p/lesson
40 minute individual	£16.00 p/lesson

Lancashire Music Hub



The home for musical learning in Lancashire

Lancashire Music Hub (LMH) is a group of **diverse partner organisations working together** to develop musical learning opportunities for children and young people in the county. The Hub aims to make it easy for young people, teachers, musicians, schools and the wider community to work together and find great ways to make music whilst developing their individual skills and talents.

The Hub's lead organisation is Lancashire Music Service, working with core partners More Music, Charanga and David Ashworth.

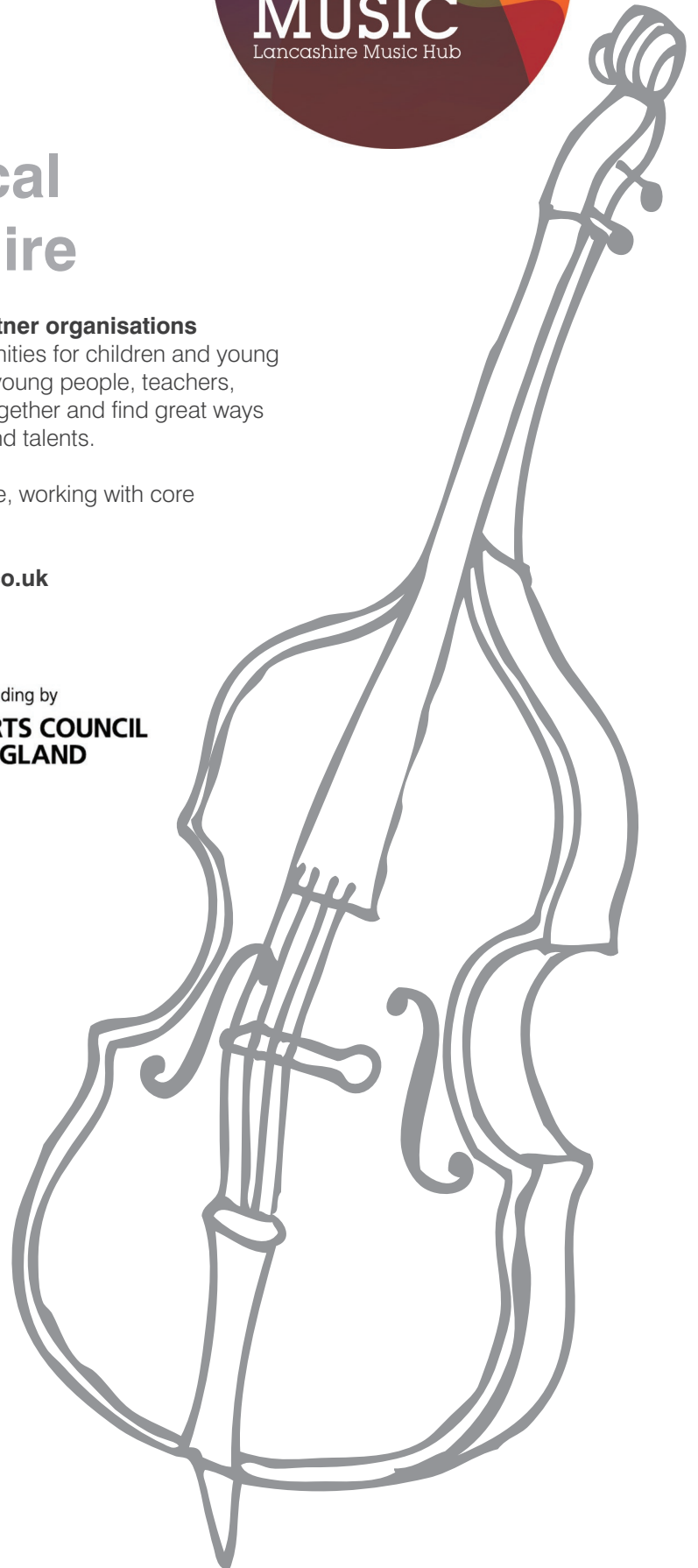
For more information visit www.lancashiremusicclub.co.uk



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Parental/Carer Consent and Medical Information Form for County Ensemble Activities (including rehearsals, courses, concerts, workshops, tours)

(This form is to be completed in full by the parent/carers and returned
Lancashire Music Service, Woodlands Centre, Southport Road, Chorley PR7 1QR)

1. Lancashire Music Service County Ensemble Activities for Academic Year 2016 - 2017

Child's name:Date of Birth:Ensemble:.....

I agree to my son/daughter/ward taking part in the above stated activity and having read the information, agree to his/her participation in any or all of the activities described. I acknowledge the need for good conduct and responsible behaviour on his/her part and that the service reserves the right to prevent my son/daughter/ward continuing with the activity in the case of poor behaviour. Further, I understand that there would be no entitlement to a refund of monies paid. I agree that I will update the service with any medical information or changes to emergency contact details.

S/he is capable of swimming 25 metres unaided Yes / No

2. Emergency Details

a) I may be contacted by telephoning the following telephone number(s):

Home:Work:.....Mobile Telephone no:

Name & Address:

b)

Please state an alternative contact point: - Telephone number:.....

Name & Address of Contact:.....

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Child's Health Service details: - Medical card number:

Family doctor (Name, address and telephone number):.....

.....Tel:.....

3. Medical Information

a) Does your child suffer from any of the following conditions?

Asthma	Yes/No	Bronchitis	Yes/No
Chest Problems	Yes/No	Diabetes	Yes/No
Fainting	Yes/No	Migraine	Yes/No
Heart Trouble	Yes/No	Raised Blood Pressure	Yes/No
Tuberculosis	Yes/No		

If 'Yes', to any of the above, please provide details:

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Epilepsy Yes/No

If 'Yes',

a) What specific epilepsy syndrome has been diagnosed for your child?

b) What is the pattern of any seizure?.....

b) Does your child suffer from any other condition requiring medical treatment, including medication? Yes/No

If 'Yes', please provide details:

c) Is your child allergic or sensitive to any medication (e.g. Penicillin), insect bites/stings or food? Yes/No

If 'Yes', please provide details:.....

d) Has your child been immunised against the following diseases?

Poliomyelitis Yes/No Tetanus (lock jaw) Yes/No

If 'Yes', to tetanus, please give date if known

e) Is your child taking any form of medication on a regular basis?

Yes/No

If 'Yes', please give full details, indicating the type of medication and dosage.

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Please ensure that your child has adequate supplies of medication and dosage for any residential activities

f) To the best of your knowledge, has your child been in contact with any contagious or infectious diseases, or suffered any recent condition that may become infectious or contagious?

Yes/No

If 'Yes', please give full details:

g) In the case of a residential course/tour, does your child have any: (please give the details).

Special Dietary needs?

Any childcare needs?

h) Please supply any additional information that you wish the Musical Director to be aware of (e.g. medical conditions, allergies, recent illness, special requirements etc) which may affect their participation:

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4. Insurance Cover

I understand that activities are insured in respect of legal liabilities (third party liability) but that my child has no personal accident cover unless I have been specifically advised of this in writing by the organiser of the visit. I also understand that any extension of insurance cover is my responsibility unless advised differently by the Service.

5. Declaration By Parent/Carer

- In the case of an emergency I agree to my child being given any medical, surgical or dental treatment, including general anaesthetic and blood transfusion, as considered necessary by the medical authorities present.
- I have read the information provided about the activities and the above information about insurance arrangements.
- I consent to my child taking part in the activities, and, having read the information sheet, declare my child to be in good health and physically able to participate in any activities mentioned, subject to any agreed adjustments.
- In the case of tours/trips, I have noted where and when the children are to be returned and I understand that I am responsible for my child getting home safely from that place.
- I will ensure that any change in the circumstances (e.g. recent illness, medication or injury) which will affect my child's participation in the visit will be notified to the Service immediately

Courses and tours may include the opportunity to take part in adventurous/outdoor activities. I accept that there is an inherent risk of injury in participation of adventurous/outdoor activities. Risk can be reduced to acceptable levels by implementing appropriate risk assessments. Copies of written risk assessments are available on request from the Service.

Signature of Parent/CarerDate.....

(N.B. Parental/Carer consent required for children aged 17 and under)

Name of parent/carers in block letters:

Address:

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This completed form to be returned to Lancashire Music Service Woodlands Centre, Southport Road, Chorley PR7 1QR.

In the case of the applicant being 18 years of age and above, the following must be read and signed:

I declare the above information is correct and that the person in charge of the visit/activity has my permission to authorise medical treatment in an emergency. I consent to medical treatment if deemed necessary by the attending authority present and the use of anaesthetics being given in the case of an emergency.

SignedDate.....



Lancashire Music Service County Ensembles Membership Form

**Academic Year
2016/2017**

Apply Online at www.LMSenrol.co.uk

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION	PLEASE COMPLETE USING BLOCK CAPITALS
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Ensemble	Commencement date
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DETAILS OF STUDENT

Surname	Forename(s)	Male/Female <input type="checkbox"/> Please tick <input type="checkbox"/>
School	Date of Birth <small>DD MM YYYY</small>	Year Group (from Sept 2016)
I am an existing member of a Lancashire Music Centre No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>		Instrument
Name of Music Centre (if applicable)		
Name of instrumental/singing teacher		
Standard attained (grade equivalent) (Note: exams need not be taken)		
Do you consider this student to have: a disability YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> special educational needs YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> or is this student reported as a Looked after child YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> (This information is required for government data analysis)		
ETHNICITY Please tick one box		
a. White	White British <input type="checkbox"/> Irish <input type="checkbox"/> Traveller of Irish heritage <input type="checkbox"/> Gypsy/Roma <input type="checkbox"/>	Any other White background <input type="checkbox"/>
b. Mixed	White and Black Caribbean <input type="checkbox"/> White and Black African <input type="checkbox"/> White and Asian <input type="checkbox"/>	Any other mixed background <input type="checkbox"/>
c. Asian	Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Pakistani <input type="checkbox"/> Bangladeshi <input type="checkbox"/> Any other Asian background <input type="checkbox"/>	
d. Black	Black Caribbean <input type="checkbox"/> Black African <input type="checkbox"/> Any other Black background <input type="checkbox"/>	
e. Chinese <input type="checkbox"/>	f. Any other ethnic group <input type="checkbox"/>	g. Not known <input type="checkbox"/>

PARENT/CARER DETAILS	BILLING NAME
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Title:	First name:	Surname:	Title:	First name:	Surname:
Pupils Address			Billing Address (if different)		
.....PostcodePostcode		
Home Telephone No.			Mobile Number.....		
Email					
All communication from the Music Service will be via e-mail or text please ensure this information is accurate.					
You will automatically receive our termly Hub newsletter. You can unsubscribe at any time using the link at the bottom of the newsletter					
Do you qualify for Education Welfare Benefits (eg free school meals) YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> please see page 5 for details					

CHARGES MEMEBERSHIP FEE £95.00 PER ANNUM PER ENSEMBLE. COURSES AND TOUR FEES - DETAILS WILL FOLLOW. Membership includes FREE access to your local Music Centre Ensemble Activities (non-refundable).

I have read the information and agree to the terms and conditions attached. I would like the above named student to participate in the County Ensembles activities and I understand that by signing this contract I will be liable for annual membership payments until written or email confirmation is provided of withdrawal.

I give my consent for images and video of my child to be used for marketing and publicity purposes (print and online) by Lancashire Music Service/Lancashire Music Hub. YES NO

In signing this form you are agreeing that your child fully understands and respects the conditions and expectations stated to attend all activities including rehearsals, the annual course and concerts.

Parent/Guardian Signature Date.....

Students Signature Date.....

The name of the Data Controller is Lancashire County Council. The nominated contact for the Data Protection is The Data Protection Officer, P.O. Box 100, County Hall, PRESTON PR1 0LD.

This Data will be processed for the purpose of administration of the County Ensembles.

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AF Ref	Customer Ref	Location No.
Ensemble Group	Confirmed Start/Init	

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The Woodlands Centre
Southport Road
Chorley, PR7 1QR

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www.lancashiremusichub.co.uk

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