

Live Lectures – Health and Safety

We hope to have a good number at the first live lecture, on 13th November, that we have had for some considerable time and we have been carefully considering all of the Health and Safety requirements that need to be in place. We want members to feel that everything has been done ‘for the greater good’ of everyone present at that meeting.

This lecture will be held in the Kenwyn Building, which is not unusual at this time of year, when the college have special events on for new students. Subsequently our lectures should revert to the Mylor building.

The college themselves have stringent cleaning protocols in place to keep their students safe and they have their own Health and Safety Policy. We are required too to have our own Health and Safety Policy when we are using the college premises to take account of our members needs.

With this in mind we have come up with the following:

- * Windows and doors will be kept open in the Refectory to ensure adequate ventilation.
- * In the theatre the air conditioning will be on. We have found out that ‘This space is ventilated with air handling units, so air is drawn in from outside then conditioned (either heated or cooled), then blown into the space, then extracted to the outside via a different grill. The air exchange is about 8 to 10 per hour’.

* On entry and during registration we would like face coverings to be worn. We would also like them to be worn throughout the lecture in the lecture theatre.

* We think that most people will be happy sitting next to others during the lecture as long as face coverings are worn, but for those who might still feel vulnerable we will ensure that the front two or three rows have seating with a space left between each seat.

* Our tea and coffee will be served in disposable, re-cyclable cups.

* We would expect everyone attending the lecture to have had two Covid19 vaccination jabs.

* We would also like everyone attending the lecture to have done a Rapid Lateral Flow Test on the day of the lecture. This is quite a common requirement for choirs and other organisations now and for others carrying out voluntary activities. These tests are easy to self-administer and the kits, which have seven tests in them, are available free from:

www.gov.uk

Free testing kits are also available from pharmacies

Closer to the November lecture date we will be sending out a yes/no survey to all members so that we know how many will be attending.

