



# Friends & Volunteers of the Sheffield Music Hub Newsletter



March 2024

## Committee Members – Outgoing and Incoming

Sarah Briggs and Karen Kemp have now stepped down as trustees – huge thanks to them both for their fantastic contribution and support.

A very warm welcome Rosie Lockwood and Anna Turner who were voted in as new Trustees for the Friends and Volunteers registered charity at the Annual General Meeting on 10 May (see Chair's and Treasurer's reports and minutes from the AGM). Find out what prompted Rosie and Anna to join the committee and [more about everyone on our Trustee team](#).

## I agreed to be .... a new Friends and Volunteers Trustee

Anna Turner told us more about what it's like to be a new Sheffield Music Hub Friends and Volunteers trustee:

**Why did you decide to become a trustee?** Sheffield Music Hub have been brilliant with my daughter who has additional needs. I still can't believe she's learned to read music and play the flute – she's surpassed all our expectations. She loves it and her own confidence in her ability continues to grow. I wanted to give something back and have helped as a volunteer whenever I can and am now a fully-fledged trustee.

**What does life as a new trustee involve?** Asking lots of questions! I want to understand the mechanics behind the SMH Friends and Volunteers Charity to help showcase the great work of the charity and maximise our fund-raising potential to ultimately help children across Sheffield to access music. I attend regular Friends and Volunteers meetings to discuss Sheffield Music Hub priorities and agree where charity funds are best placed to support.

## Interested in volunteering with us?

You don't need to be a trustee to help out the Friends and Volunteers team! If you're interested in volunteering on a more ad hoc basis such as supporting at Music Hub concerts and rehearsals or running fund raising events in your local community, please email us to find out how to get involved: [smhfriendsandvolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:smhfriendsandvolunteers@gmail.com)

## We need your help: Recruitment to the Secretary Officer Role

Our current Secretary Sue has decided to stand down at the next year's AGM (2025), therefore we need someone who would like to take on this important role.

The role includes:

- Attending Friends' Committee meetings
- Attending Annual General Meeting. (AGM)
- Creating and taking minutes at the committee and AGMs
- Drafting communications as required

If we aren't able to find a new Secretary, the charity will in all probability have to fold.

If you would like to find out more information, shadow Sue or take on some of the task to see if it's for you, email [smhfriendsandvolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:smhfriendsandvolunteers@gmail.com) and someone will get back in touch with you.

## Support is required for these Up Coming Events - Summer 2024



Help required for front of house, scanning tickets and refreshments at the following events:

### Spring Musical Showcase - Victoria Hall on:

- Tues 23 April 2024
- Wed 24 April 2024
- Thurs 25 April 2024
- Fri 26 April 2024

Further information will be distributed nearer the time for the following events:

- **Sun 30 June** - Western Park Bandstand Summer performance
- **Mon 1 July** - End of Year String Performance - Octagon
- **Mon 1 July** - One voice Summer 2024 Day 1 - Octagon (PM)
- **Tues 2 July** - Sheffield Music Hub Leavers Concert
- **Tues 2 July** - One Voice Summer Day 2 - Octagon (PM)
- **Wed 3 July** - End of Year Rock/Pop/Jazz Gig - Octagon
- **Mon 8 July** - End of Year Vocal Performance - Sheffield Cathedral
- **Tues 9 July** - End of Year Winds Performance - All Saints Catholic High School

If you can help with any of the above, please let us know and we will come back to you. Contact: [SMH Friends and Volunteers](#)

## Fund raising for Sheffield Music Hub in 2024

The Sheffield Music Hub [Inclusivity Strategy](#), builds on their ambition to develop an inclusive educational culture where all children and young people are valued and recognised for their unique qualities, ideas, voices, and perspectives.

The Friends and Volunteers recently launched a [Just Giving campaign](#) to raise money to help support the SMH inclusivity strategy, including the:

- Purchase of steel pans, sticks and stands so SMH can set up a weekly steel pan group that will be accessible to all children regardless of previous musical experience.
- Funding of places on the [SMH Furthering Talent programme](#).
- Funding of free places in SMH groups for children and young people in receipt of free school meals.

We'll be raising money for this campaign throughout 2024. Find out more about the campaign and how you can donate below.

### To donate:

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/smh-inclusivity>

or use  
this QR  
code:



**A big thank you for your continued support**

### How funds have been collected between Aug 2023 and Feb 2024

4 Nov - Bradfield Festival - **£102.70**  
29 Nov - End of Term Jazz Gig - **£72.96**  
4 Dec - End of term Guitars / Rock Gig - **£110.77**  
5 Dec - End of Term Winds Performance - **£112.40**  
7 Dec - End of Term Spectacular - **£357.86**  
8 Dec - UHY Wingfield Slater Donation **£250**  
8 Dec - Gregg & Gregg Donation - **£100**  
11 Dec - Christmas Extravaganza - **£241.85**  
22 Jan - Upper Chapel Donation - **£105**

### How funds have been spent between Aug 2023 and Feb 2024

Furthering Talent - Contribution - **£5,000**  
Let's Make Music - Songbook, flashcards & Rhythm Cards - **£52.11**  
Young Sinfonia - Music - **£9**  
Junior Ambassadors - T-Shirts - **£260.28**  
Intermediate & Senior brass - Contribution to coach travel to Youth Brass Band Champions Cheltenham - **£300**  
Samba band - equipment - **£151.40**  
Spring Brochure - **£565**

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Friends & Volunteers - Registered Charity  
Number: 1003611

We are a registered charity and are run by a group of volunteers in the form of a committee, which includes parents / carers; guardians; and Music Hub Staff. The Group meets regularly in the evenings and everyone is welcome to attend.

