# Friends & Volunteers of the Sheffield Music Hub Newsletter

November 2025

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our events and fundraising activities over the past few months. Your support and dedication are hugely appreciated and make a real difference to our work. We are also pleased to welcome several new volunteers and look forward to working together in the months ahead.

### **Seeking New Trustees**

We're looking for new Trustees to join our committee and help shape the future of our charity. We're looking for anyone with an interest in:

- raising our profile through engaging videos and creative content on social media
- fundraising ideas and how to bring them to life.

If you're enthusiastic about making a difference and would like to get involved, we'd love to hear from you! Find out more about our work and meet our current <u>Trustee team</u>, or get in touch if you're interested in joining us.

### Could you be a volunteer?

You don't need to be a Trustee to make a difference! We're always looking for volunteers to lend a hand at concerts, rehearsals, and fundraising events.

Whatever time you can give, your support helps our charity continue to thrive. If you're interested in volunteering, we'd love to hear from you.

#### We need help at upcoming concerts

If you can help scan tickets and shake collection buckets or sell pre-loved music at events please email us.

# Nominate us for the 12 Days Christmas Draw!

The 12 Days Christmas draw, run by the Benefact Trust, is a chance for our charity to win a £1,000 donation - the more votes, the higher the chance of winning. Voting only takes a minute, and it would be much appreciated if we could get as many entries as possible.

Click here to nominate us!

- Enter the Charity Number (1003611) and Search.
- Select Education and Skills for our charity type
- Complete the remaining questions

One nomination = one entry in the draw. Thank you 🄞 🤞 🐇



# **Annual General Meeting (AGM)**

This year's AGM was held on Monday 28 April 2025 where we celebrated our achievements over the last year, and the Chair and the Treasurer presented their reports. Click here for the minutes.

## **Further Fundraising for the Sheffield Music Hub**

We're already thinking ahead to more ways to raise funds for our charity over the coming months. If you have ideas or would like to get involved, we'd love to hear from you - please get in touch!











# Fund raising for Sheffield Music Hub in 2025

Sheffield Music Hub staff, parents and supporters took part in the Sheffield 10K on Sunday 28 September to raise funds for us to support the SMH bursary programme. These bursaries ensure that no child is excluded from music education due to financial hardship, supporting a wide range of learners. For many families, they provide the only opportunity for their children to access music education.



Thanks to everyone's efforts, an incredible £3,469.56 has been raised so far! Huge thanks to all who took part and helped make this possible. We rely on our generous donors to help with the vital bursary programme.

The Friends and Volunteers have a Just Giving campaign to raise money to help support the Sheffield Music Hub Inclusivity Strategy. The Inclusivity Strategy reflects their commitment to creating an educational culture in which all children and young people are valued and celebrated for their unique qualities, ideas, voices, and perspectives. Funds raised will help support projects and activities such as:

- 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 Young Sounds UK Connect Programme.
- funding of free places in SMH groups for children and young people in receipt of free school meals.

We will continue to raise money for this campaign throughout 2025/26.

### 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 raised between August 2024 and July 2025

- Collections at concerts £2,798.31
- Sales of Spring Showcase brochures £310
- Grants & Donations £850
- Sheffield 10k run £3,469.56

How funds have been spent between August 2024 and July 2025

- T.Shirts (JAM) £169.39
- Music for Ensembles £104.27
- Bursaries £7,286
- Coaches (YBB championships) £698.00
- Room Hire (YWO Workshop) £243.55
- Spring Brochure Print £476.20
- Just Giving Charges £216.00

#### To contact us or find out more:

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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