

FRMS Questionnaire regarding the review and future of the Bulletin.

As you are no doubt aware, Paul Astell will be relinquishing his position as Editor of the Bulletin at the 2018 AGM. At this time, no-one has come forward to take on the role as it currently stands.

Producing the Bulletin, especially in its current format, takes considerable time and effort and very much relies on the goodwill of contributors and advertising revenue, in order to cover costs. So, a working group has been tasked with exploring alternative options and conduct a general review. Recommendations will then be submitted to the committee in due course for consideration.

In order to assist with the process, we would very much like to involve the societies and seek the views of the membership. So, would you kindly confer with your members and complete the questionnaire below. Please return by 12<sup>th</sup> November. This will allow the committee to discuss the matter during the meeting scheduled for later in the month. Completed questionnaires should be posted to: Ron Mitchell, 45 Lichfield Road, Coventry CV3 5FF

**Society:**

**Questions**

Current use of the Bulletin

1. How many copies of each edition does your society usually receive?

**Answers**

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(Please circle your answer)

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| 2. Do all or most, of your membership have access to each edition?                            | Yes | No | Not sure |
| 3. If Yes to 2. Are members able to actually read each edition, if they wish?                 | Yes | No | Not sure |
| 4. As a society, do your members feel the Bulletin is useful?                                 | Yes | No | Not sure |
| 5. Does your membership, as a whole, wish to see the Bulletin continue in some form or other? | Yes | No | Not sure |

Possible future options

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| 6. Should the frequency of publication change?  | Yes | No                  | Not sure |
| 7. If Yes to 6. Would you prefer the Bulletin to become an <i>Annual</i> publication?   | Yes | No                  | Not sure |
| 8. Should the current size be maintained? i.e. A4   | Yes | No                  | Not sure |
| 9. If No or Not sure to 8. Would A5 size be more acceptable?  | Yes | No                  | Not sure |
| 10. Does the membership feel it would be better to move to a digital only version? (No hard copy, but available on the FRMS website for members to view or sent out via email). | Yes | No                  | Not sure |
| 11. Would it be acceptable if the Bulletin, in whatever format, had fewer pages?  | Yes | No                  | Not sure |
| 12. Should consideration be given to the Bulletin being included within a music publication, which is produced annually by another organisation?                                | Yes | No, stay 'in-house' | Not sure |

Please note any comments here:

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Position held:

Date:

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