

# Federation of Recorded Music Societies Ltd

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Dear FRMS Contact,

I am pleased to give advance notice of the **83<sup>rd</sup> FRMS Annual General Meeting** which is to be held on **Saturday, 2 November 2019** at **The Winter Gardens, Royal Parade, Weston-super-Mare, Somerset, BS23 1AJ**. Our hosts this year are the Weston-super-Mare Music Appreciation Society who are celebrating their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Attendance at the AGM is open to all members of affiliated societies.

Accommodation will be available at **The Lauriston Hotel, 6-12 Knightstone Road, Weston-super-Mare, Somerset, BS23 2AN** which is a five-minute walk from The Winter Gardens. The hotel is offering a very favourable rate for delegates attending the AGM: £49 per room for bed and breakfast for up to two people for the Saturday night. If you want to stay for longer, the cost increases to £69, which is still very reasonable. **Accommodation is booked directly with the hotel, but please say that you are attending the FRMS AGM in order to take advantage of the agreed rate.** Bookings can be made by calling **01934 620758** and rooms will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. The breakfast menu includes a vegetarian option, but please give the hotel notice if you have any other specific dietary requirements such as gluten-free.

The Winter Gardens does not have a car park, so if you are travelling by car, please read the following carefully. Delegates who are staying at The Lauriston are free to use the hotel car park and can also drop off their luggage in the morning, prior to formal check-in from 4pm. Those not staying overnight will need to use local pay and display car parks. The closest and most convenient is the **Melrose Car Park, Knightstone Road, Weston-super-Mare, BS23 2BE** which is open 24 hours a day.

The AGM will conclude with a dinner served in Lasseter's Restaurant (in The Winter Gardens) at a cost of **£25** per head followed by entertainment provided by The Abbey Quartet, a string quartet based in Glastonbury, at an additional charge of **£5**. The total cost for the full evening is **£30** and payment, along with food choices, should be returned to me using the enclosed form.

All **Offices and Committee places** are subject to re-election each year, and we invite nominations from anyone who would like to join the committee. If you are interested, complete the **Nomination Form** and attach a short biography of not more than 50 words to be returned to me by **Saturday 28 September 2019**. The Constitution allows for 12 committee members which includes Officers, with the posts of Technical Officer and Bulletin Editor being appointments not subject to re-election. Should there be more candidates than vacancies, ballot papers will be included in the second mailing. Committee membership involves attendance at four Committee meetings a year, normally held at the Brunswick Inn close by Derby railway station and all expenses are refunded. Each Committee member has a function in addition to contributing to discussion on all aspects of running the Federation.

Affiliated societies can raise any **Motion** for discussion at the AGM provided it is signed by two of their officers and reaches me by **Saturday 28 September 2019**.

**Provisional Timetable for Saturday 2 November 2019.**

13.00 Registration of delegates opens

14.00 Welcome by Michael Bass, Chairman of Weston-super-Mare Music Appreciation Society, followed by the Business meeting

15.45 Tea/coffee

16.30 Recorded Music presentation – David Threasher and Geraint Lewis: Nimbus and The Gramophone Magazine

18.30 Dinner

20.00 Live recital – The Abbey Quartet, a string quartet based in Glastonbury comprising members of the Mid-Somerset Orchestra

**Dinner choices are printed on a separate enclosure.**

Additional copies of this letter and all the documentation with this mailing will be available on our website at [www.thefrms.co.uk](http://www.thefrms.co.uk).

I do hope that you or a member of your Society will be able to come to this important meeting.

Yours faithfully

Adele Wills  
Secretary, FRMS

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1. Dinner Choices and Payments Form
2. Nomination Form
3. Minutes of AGM (Ilkley 2018)