The New HADS Community Choir Aims and Format

At the HADS AGM on 20th February 2012 it was unanimously agreed that the Society should form a new community choir as an addition to its normal dramatic and stage productions. The new choir's format, fees and aims are as follows:

- 1. The choir will be mixed (male and female) for the people of south east Suffolk and will be based in Hadleigh.
- 2. The repertoire will range across many eras. It will be popular and light and will include traditional, classical, contemporary, blues, gospel, folk and religious pieces.
- 3. The aim is to be serious about singing and performing but at the same time we want to encourage a friendly and supportive environment where all members can socialize and enjoy the company of like-minded people.
- 4. Rehearsals will be held regularly throughout the year with a summer break in July and August. The rehearsal schedule is likely to be increased to weekly in the lead-up to a public performance.
- 5. When a sufficiently high technical standard is achieved, public performances will be given at which funds will be raised for charity and other good causes.
- 6. Members will pay the HADS £10 annual membership fee (for insurance purposes), plus an annual £50 choir membership fee (to cover rehearsal and other costs). The total cost of £60 can paid in two equal instalments, one in January and one in September.
- 7. Membership will be open to anyone over the age of 16. There will be no auditions and it will not be necessary to read music.