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Dear Choir Leader,

**Usk Choral Festival**  
**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March – Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

We are inviting you to apply to take part in the next Usk Choral Festival. The idea is to celebrate choral music in all its forms and give a platform to all the wonderful choirs in the area. We want to include every type of choir from cathedral choirs to rock choirs and everything in between. The inaugural festival that took place in 2019 was a great success. Every concert was pretty much sold out and the audiences raved about the quality of the singing. Many people in our audiences went on to join a choir having been inspired by performances and the friendly atmosphere generated by the choirs.

The Usk Choral Festival is based on four main principles:

- it's non-competitive
- there is a wide mix of music in every concert
- choirs remain throughout their concert to cheer each other on and learn from each other's performances
- there are no appearance or performances fees paid or payable

The concerts are a maximum of 90 minutes long and there are three choirs in every concert meaning that each choir performs for about 25 minutes. If you are the sort of choir that likes to sing your allotted slot and then disappear, we may not be the festival for you.

We have had a tremendous response from choirs that want to take part so we may not be able to accommodate every choir that applies to us. However, we will do our very best to fit in as many of you as possible. To apply for a place in the Usk Choral Festival, please complete the application form and return it to us by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020. Forms received after this date will not be considered.

All the best

Usk Festival Committee