

In view of developments in the Coronavirus outbreak, certain sad decisions have been made by the management of Colne Valley Male Voice Choir.

A statement by Choir Chairman, **Joe Stones**, to Voice of the Valley and for wider publication reads as follows:-



"Due to the increased and widespread effects from Covid 19 Coronavirus, the Choir has concluded that is it is necessary - in order to protect our audiences, our Choir members and our professionals - to suspend all rehearsals and performances with immediate effect.

We are aware that the situation is subject to change so we shall review our decision at the end of May 2020, at which point the suspension may be lifted or continued as is appropriate.

We are sorry that these measures have become necessary and we shall do all we can to support our members through the coming weeks.

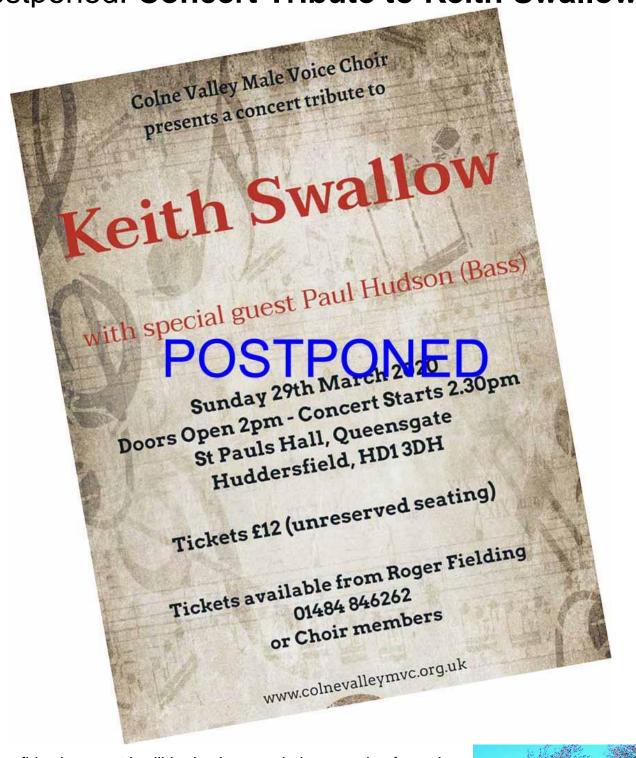
One consequence of this decision is that the special 'Concert Tribute to Keith Swallow' scheduled for March 29th at Saint Paul's Hall will have to be postponed. Every effort to inform tickets holders will be made. It is our clear wish to hold this concert at a later date. Tickets will remain valid. Alternatively ticket holders will be able to access a refund.

We are disappointed that another casualty of this shut-down will be the afternoon concert on 17 May with **Colne Valley Boys** at Saint James, Church, Slaithwaite. We hope our other scheduled performances can go ahead but they are subject to review. We apologise for any inconvenience caused and look forward to reconvening both our rehearsal and concert schedule as soon as is safely possible.

This is a difficult time for our members and our audiences - many of whom will be from 'at-risk age-groups'. But, no doubt, we will get through it. I am grateful for the support of the Choir in coming to these unhappy but necessary decisions."

Joe Stones

Postponed: Concert Tribute to Keith Swallow



We confidently expect it will be back on again in a couple of months. If you've already got your tickets, hold on to them - they will still be valid. Alternatively, we can arrange a refund.

No new date can be set for this event today. To check the proposed date for this fine concert, please keep a regular eye on VotV, visit our website and check the Facebook pages for further updates.

For refunds and queries contact Ticket Master, Roger Fielding, on 01484 846262 or by email: fielderdfie@aol.com)





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