Leeds Philharmonic society - Revised Dress code for Concerts - July 2023

The revised dress or uniform code is to be followed by all singers for concerts starting in the Autumn of 2023 and will be trialled for a year at which time it will be either permanently adopted, tweaked a bit based on feedback or we will revert to our original used up until this point. So please <u>do not</u> dispose of the existing uniform for now.

As requested by nearly everyone in the survey responses, the main theme for everyone is to be plain BLACK, with members providing their own items to comply with the code below, but leaving freedom for some individuality to suit body shape, budgets and the temperature, and still providing a smart overall consistent appearance of the choir. It also aims to be as gender neutral as possible. As per now, extra layers can be worn underneath as needed as long as they are not visible.

Gentlemen:

Black long sleeved open neck shirt, with a collar – no stripes, spots, sparkle or sheen.

Black trousers – if a belt or braces are needed – they must be all black. No Jeans or joggers.

Black socks.

Black shoes – no sandals, trainers or clogs.

For cold conditions and where it has been indicated prior to a concert – ie weather conditions or formality. Add a black suit or DJ jacket or black cardigan/jumper.

Note: (it is recognised that on occasion it may be necessary to revert to the standard white shirt, black bow tie and DJ if specifically requested by the concert host).

Ladies:

Black ¾ or long sleeved open neck shirt, blouse or top – no stripes, spots, large lace panels, sparkle or sheen. Neckline style is open for now ie with collar, without collar, round or v neck etc but please keep it to a discreet cleavage coverage.

Black <u>full length</u> classic style trousers or <u>full length</u> straight skirt. No Jeans, crops, leggings or joggers.

Black tights or socks.

Black shoes – no sandals, trainers or clogs.

For cold conditions and where it has been indicated prior to a concert. Add a plain black jacket or black cardigan/jumper.

For our more informal concerts/activities:

Red "Phil" polo shirt top for all – this can be purchased from the choir. If you don't have one, a simple plain red T Shirt will also suffice.

Black trousers.

Black shoes and socks.

Black or red cardigan or jumper as required.