

How to organise your own concert on the bandstand

The Friends of Greenhead Park and Kirklees Council are keen to encourage groups to perform on the park's recently restored bandstand and help keep the musical heritage of Greenhead Park alive.

The council welcomes a variety of music onto park bandstands, including brass bands, jazz bands and choirs. Sadly, it is no longer possible to offer a fee for performances, but you can have a bucket collection to raise funds providing you have the relevant permission in place.

If you would like to organise a concert on the bandstand, we would strongly recommend that you start making enquiries at least two months before the date of your concert.

We hope the following information will help you if you are interested in organising a concert on the Greenhead Park bandstand:

- ❖ First of all, check the availability of the bandstand by e-mailing Tara Delaney in Streetscene - tara.delaney@kirklees.gov.uk or call 01484 221000. Tara will then send you a Park booking form to complete to confirm your booking.
- ❖ Bucket collection? You need to inform Licensing of your intention to have a collection by e-mailing licensing@kirklees.gov.uk. This is for information only, so that Licensing can make Enforcement Officers aware that a collection has been authorised. Please include a note on the Park booking form that you will be making a collection and that Licensing has been notified.
- ❖ Licence for your event? Greenhead Park currently has a Premises Licence in place which allows for live music to be played in the park. However there is a limit on the number of performances each year, so it's best to book as early as you can.
- ❖ PRS for Music and PPL licence? PRS for Music and PPL collect and distribute money on behalf of songwriters, composers and publishers. For PPL licences and further information please go to www.ppluk.com. PRS are able to issue licences to individual bands, the fee is £26 – please go to www.prsformusic.com/Pages/default.aspx for more information. You should also check the Terms and Conditions attached to the Park booking form with regard to Intellectual Property Rights.
- ❖ Chairs for the band? There are a number of chairs stored under the Greenhead Park bandstand which are available for use by groups performing on the bandstand. Please state on your Park booking form if you would like to use the chairs so that arrangements can be made for you to access the store. You will need to bring the chairs up from the store and replace them at the end of your performance. Any remaining chairs can also be used for audience members if you wish, but again you will be responsible for putting them out and returning them to the store.
- ❖ Power supply? There is a power supply available in the store under the bandstand but you will need to provide your own extension lead. Please state on your Park booking form if you wish to make use of the power supply, so that access arrangements can be made.
- ❖ Publicity? The Friends of Greenhead Park will be happy to advertise your concert on our [website](#), and we can arrange for posters to be displayed in the park too. You can also promote your concert in the Council's Creative Kirklees e-newsletter (contact arts.creativity@kirklees.gov.uk for more details) and by putting it on the events section of the Kirklees Community Directory (contact community.directory@Kirklees.gov.uk for more details).

Hopefully the above information will help you organise a successful concert, but if you need further advice, contact Roz Garthwaite at roz.garthwaite@kirklees.gov.uk.

The Friends of Greenhead Park may also be able to help on the day. You can contact us via our [website](#) or by e-mailing fogphuddersfield@gmail.com.