

Organisation

♪ How are we organised?

- ⚙ We have a committee and a constitution which is available on the website.

♪ How do we share information?

- ⚙ Information is mostly shared via the Protest in Harmony email list. Just leave your email address and you'll be added. Keep an eye on the website for up-to-date information and a calendar of events. If you want to access the members' area of the website, ask a member of the committee for the password. If you don't have access to email, please let us know.

We have a slot for brief announcements during the Saturday sessions, where those making announcements do their best to provide printed details of events to save time.

♪ How can I make suggestions?

- ⚙ We welcome feedback and suggestions for songs or events. These can be made by speaking to any committee member or emailing: committee@protestinharmony.org.uk. If you would prefer to speak to someone, you can ring 0131 477 0817. Whilst feedback is welcome at any time, we also have a periodic evaluation process.

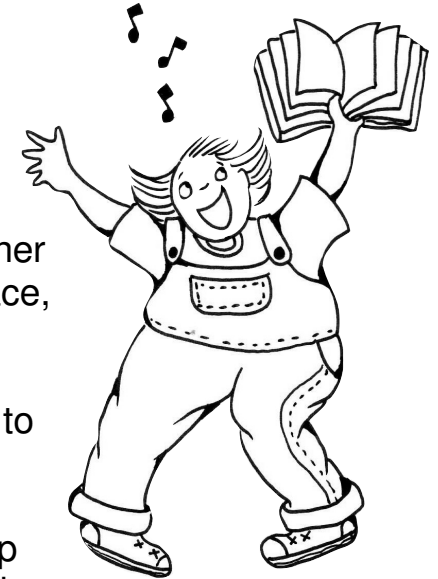
Protest in Harmony

www.protestinharmony.org.uk

Welcome!

♪ What is Protest in Harmony?

- ⚙ PiH is a community of individuals who come together to sing about issues of peace, justice, the environment & human rights. Everyone is welcome; you do not need to be able to read music and there are no auditions. Many of us joined the group as an expression of our politics, or because we love singing together, or both!



Saturday Singing Sessions

♪ When do we meet?

- ⚙ We meet once a month on a Saturday from 10am til 1pm. Dates are on the website.

♪ Where should I sit?

- ⚙ We mostly sing in 3- or 4-part harmony and sit with others who sing the same part. Generally higher voices are to the left as you come into the room and lower voices to the right.

🎵 What part should I sing?

- ⚙️ You're welcome to sing any part which feels comfortable. Some songs have more parts than others, so feel free to move around to find a part you are happy singing.

🎵 People are paying at the door. How much should I pay? What does this cover?

- ⚙️ We charge £5 full rate or £3 concession for the Saturday sessions to cover the costs of hall rental, photocopying and a fee for song leaders.

🎵 10 to 1 seems awfully long. Is there a break?

- ⚙️ There is, indeed! This is a good time to meet people and socialise. Tea, coffee and biscuits are available and we ask for a donation of £1 to cover costs.

🎵 Some folk seem to have A5-sized red folders. What are these? Do I need one?

- ⚙️ The red folder holds words for some of our standard songs, and costs £5. You can add song sheets to it as you like. You are not required to buy one, but you might find it useful.

🎵 How are songs taught?

- ⚙️ Each song leader's style is different, but all songs are taught by ear, with music usually available for those who want it. It helps us all to learn if we can listen quietly while other parts are being taught.

🎵 What if I'm late?

- ⚙️ If you're running late, you're welcome to slip in, but we're sorry that we won't have time to go over anything you've missed.

Events

🎵 What sort of events do we sing at?

- ⚙️ We sing at informal events such as demonstrations, marches and rallies, and slightly more formal performance-based events. All are in support of a range of campaigns and causes. Information will always be provided to enable you to choose whether or not you would like to participate.

🎵 What happens at a demonstration?

- ⚙️ One member of the choir acts as coordinator, linking with event organisers and helping us all to stay together. Song sheets will be provided.

🎵 How is a performance different?

- ⚙️ As performances are more formal, we need to know the songs and words well — for many performances we will need an extra rehearsal. Anyone wishing to take part needs to have rehearsed these songs with the performance group. Parts will often be available on the website to help.

🎵 Do we meet socially?

- ⚙️ In the past we have organised residentials, attended music festivals and held socials.

