



Dear Dorset Theatre-Goers

I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas. Happy New Year to you all!

At the end of November, we went to the New Victoria Theatre at Woking and, as I am sure all who came on it will agree, a fabulous outing – a top rate London show on tour. We hope to plan many more exciting theatre trips throughout 2023, and would love to encourage more theatre enthusiasts to join us.

The impact of Covid on theatres – and theatre goers – is still felt, which is why we really hope to encourage more people to join us as members this year. As ever, the best way to gain new members is through you, our exciting members. Please spread the word to your friends and any other community/social groups you may be part of, or anyone you think might enjoy joining our lovely days out to the theatre.

Currently, we are only able to book one coach due to numbers. This sometimes means we end up with a waiting list which we would like to avoid in the future. If we can get more members, we would be able to take two coaches, meaning that we could use different routes. In turn this means shorter coach trip times and also the opportunity to go to other theatres in different directions.

You will find enclosed the annual subscription form, which is remaining at £14.00 per single person and £20.00 for joint membership. This is the first renewal since the pandemic. We are keen to receive your renewals so that we will have an accurate account of our membership numbers. The excursion cost includes the theatre tickets, the coach fee and driver's gratuity and as you are aware the cost of fuel has increased vastly, which is reflected in the overall cost.

We are aware and apologise that the website is currently out-of-date. We are in the process of finding someone with the time and skills to take on the task of updating the website and will keep you informed about any updates.

I hope you are able to attend our AGM in May, which will be in Salisbury before the show on 13 May at 11.00am in the Salberg Room, Salisbury Playhouse.

Wishing you all a wonderful 2023, and I look forward to seeing you on our trips very soon!

Warm regards
Dee Bonham Christie
Chairperson