**WAVENEY VALLEY FOLK COLLECTIVE**

**GUIDELINES FOR PERFORMERS AT OPEN MIC NIGHTS**

The WVFC hosts monthly Open Mic Nights at The Scole Crossways Inn on the second Tuesday of the month. The music starts at 8.15 and performers should arrive by 8.00. Performance slots will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis and it is anticipated each act will be able to play at least three songs/tunes.

**What the WVFC offers performers**

* A friendly, listening audience and a supportive team of organisers
* A small PA and staff to help with set-up and sound
* The opportunity to promote up-coming gigs, CD’s, availability etc.
* The chance to meet other performers and spectators on the local Folk & Roots scene
* The chance to be considered for a support slot in the WVFC concert evenings and other events promoted by the WVFC
* The chance for less-experienced performers to practise and hone your performance skills in a supportive environment

**What the WVFC expects from performers**

* Arrive by 8.00 p.m.
* Plan your set in advance, including what you want to say between songs
* Be organized. A music stand is provided for music/song sheets, but please be familiar enough with your material to give a confident performance – an audience will be far more supportive of nervous performers than of those who are ill-prepared
* Stay and support the other performers throughout the evening

We hope these guidelines will help both performers and audiences continue to enjoy evenings of great music and good company at the WVFC.