HOW TO READ THE SONG SHEETS

- 1 This system of notation was devised and developed, primarily, but not exclusively for steel pans and glocks in the 1980s by Victoria Jaquiss, then Head of Music at Foxwood School, Leeds UK.
- Designed to support the aural tradition, it is deliberately imprecise 2
- 3 Chords are represented by large outline capitals; minor chords are stripey; diminished chords are spotted; augmented chords are marked with a circle (eq A^{O}); and sevenths etc have the number next to them. Teacher and players can choose their own rhythms.
- The melody is written in capital letters in the small long landscape boxes below the chords. 4 The position of a note within the bar gives an indication of it value. A little straight line, either at the top or the bottom of a melody note emphasises either high or low pitch.
- 5 In order that sharps and flats take up no more space than naturals the flat or sharp symbol is attached to the note letter.
- 6 Wavy lines indicate held notes (pannists should roll these).
- 7 The Leaend (a box at the side) tells you what notes are in which chord. Suggested bass notes are underlined. A second Legend box may tell you a song's structure, in bars, lines or sections.
- 8 Chords are colour-coded as follows:

C = red, G = green, F = yellow, D = blue, B flat = pink,

















A = orange, E flat = purple, E = brown

Other chords are coloured gray on the songsheets, and are not spotted on any instrument

- 9 With the Foxwood Songsheet, players can interpret songs as they like. The rhythm of the melody is deliberately imprecise so you can make a note a crotchet for the beginner, or a dotted crotchet for a more advanced player (or for someone who cant't bear to play other than as heard).
- 10 Any instrument (of any SATB pitch) can play the melody; leaders or players can share the chords out as they like, and use any rhythm. Useful rhythms are a song's title or its first line.
- See the Manual for full details of how to read and write your own Foxwood Songsheets. 11
- To obtain further copies of the Manual and Songsheet books contact Lindsay Music by 12 email at: sales@lindsaymusic.co.uk

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It includes accessible:

- multisensory activities
- songs to sing and move to
- ways of playing the songs on tuned percussion or ukuleles
- dances which tell the story of the canal
- art activities which explore the life of the canal
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