

FULWOOD METHODIST CHURCH THEATRE VISIT CLUB

“NOT A NEWSLETTER”

EARLY JANUARY 2019

Very best wishes for 2019 from Sharon and myself to all our readers! We hope that you will find opportunities in our programme for the coming year to enjoy the delights of theatre, the pleasure of good company and the delights of our countryside.

This is not the first newsletter of the year. That will follow towards the end of the month. Rather, it is an update on a limited number of events in the early part of the year. So watch out for more information in due course.

1. Our visit to see ***The Producers*** at the **Royal Exchange Manchester** on **Thursday 17 January**. This production has been enjoyed by thousands of people already – so much so that the run has been extended by the theatre for a further two weeks into early February. Some reviewers have given the show 5*s whilst none have been less than 4*. Even if you have seen earlier stage productions or the film there will be much to entertain and delight you. Of course, it is not *The Sound of Music*! But I cannot recommend this show highly enough.

We still have a few tickets available. All are at stage level and are for seats which are not raised – you will be very comfortable. We will leave Church at 11.15am and the show starts at 2.30pm. So there will be time for a little shopping and for lunch and relaxation if that is your preference. We will definitely be using a Cosgrove’s coach so we will travel in style too! The inclusive cost of this visit is **£52** per person , with an additional optional insurance payment of **£5**. Please give Sharon a call (01772 718741)

1. The initial response to the proposed visit to see ***The Rise and Fall of Little Voice*** at **The Bolton Octagon** on **26 January** has been negligible. Rather than buy tickets and suffer a loss I have decided to cancel this visit. This is a very fine play, written in the last 25 years or so, and set in the north of England. It seems that it will be one of the plays in the Keswick summer season and I hope that we will have the chance to see their production later in the year. If you have already paid for this trip, Sharon will arrange a refund for you.
2. Very shortly we will need to purchase the tickets for the RSC touring production of ***Romeo and Juliet*** at **The Blackpool Grand** on **2 March** (starting at 1.30pm). Numbers are again rather low for this but those of us who saw this production in Stratford last year know how good it is. I will endeavour to continue with the visit, using a minibus if necessary but do let know if you are interested. The cost is **£37.50** per person with an optional insurance payment of **£4**.

Much more to follow later in the month!

Ken and Sharon