

***Watership Cantabile*** are a small mixed-voice choir, based in Newbury, led by their Musical Director, Michael Howell. They have been singing for about 35 years, participating in concerts, tours and competitions at home and in Europe. Because of reducing numbers in recent years, they have specialised in close-harmony, chamber music and are well known to local audiences. They are delighted to return again to the Thatcham Festival, to present their concert – “Echoes, Beautiful Words, set to Music”

The Choir are always interested in recruiting new members. If anyone is interested in singing and would like further information about the choir, they should visit their website at [www.watershipcantabile.co.uk](http://www.watershipcantabile.co.uk) or contact the Chairman, Chris Druce on 01635 820718.



# “Echoes”

Beautiful Words set to Music

With

*Watership Cantabile*

at

St Mary’s Church, Thatcham

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October

# Programme

*Nulla in mundo, pax sincera*.....*Music by Antonio Vivaldi, Arr. Michael Howell*

*My Soul, There is a Country*.....*Words by Henry Vaughan, Music: C H H Parry*

*Afton Water*.....*Words by Robert Burns, Music: John Rutter*

*Readings: "The Bard of the Button Tin" by Ian McMillan*

*"On Comparing My Husband to Robbie Burns" by Pam Ayres*

*Diaphenia*.....*Words by Henry Constable, Music Charles Villiers Stanford*

*Quick, We Have But a Second*.....*Words by Thomas Moore, Music: Charles Villiers Stanford*

*Bohemian Rhapsody*.....*Music by Freddie Mercury, Arr. Michael Howell*

*To Music*.....*Words by Robert Herrick, Music: Sir George Dyson*

*Echoes*.....*Words by Thomas Moore, Music: Sir Arthur Sullivan*

*Reading: Extract from "A Nightmare" by WS Gilbert*

*Sweet and Low*.....*Words by Alfred Lord Tennyson, Music: Sir Joseph Barnby*

*Memory*.....*Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber, Arr. Michael Howell*

*Two Hungarian Folk-songs*.....*English words by A.L. Lloyd, Music: Matyas Seiber*

*I do it for you*.....*Music by Bryan Adams, Arr Michael Howell*