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Norwegian Musicians Harald Kvasnes Gjermund Fredheim Edvard Mjanger C/o Hordaland County Council

Dear Harald, Gjermund and Edvard

On behalf of Orkney Islands Council, I would like to convey my sincere gratitude to you for the fantastic entertainment you provided in Orkney during your week over here from 30 November to 7 December.

We have received great feedback from the Schools you visited, the children all really enjoyed your visit and listening to your music.

Thank you also for the beautiful music provided on 1 December evening entertaining guests at a civic event in honour of Bill Spence's time as Norwegian Consul. It was very fitting to have guest musicians from Norway play at this and Bill was very touched by the whole event and felt very privileged to be entertained in the Council Chamber.

I would also like to give thanks for the entertainment provided at the Kirkwall Tree Lighting weekend on 5 and 6 December. This is a popular event in Orkney's events calendar and well attended by locals and visitors alike, we were very impressed with the range of talent you all displayed.

I hope you enjoyed your time in Orkney and that you return again one day.

May I take this chance to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours sincerely

Steven Heddle Convener