

Generative AI Music Policy 2026

Over the last 30 years I've collaborated with hundreds of musicians and bands to achieve their creative visions through audio engineering and music production. I'm also a musician. I've been a drummer in several bands, co-producing and co-writing music with my bandmates.

As a music producer, I have massive respect for songwriters and musicians who spend years honing their craft and sharing their art through live and recorded performances. Writing original music takes hard work, a huge investment of time, and a passion for creating something unique and personal. Which is why I don't take it lightly when someone chooses me to produce, record and/or mix their songs.

The rise of AI generated music is hugely concerning. A generative AI music platform can create a fully finished song for someone who has never picked up an instrument, written a song or learned how to record and mix it. Generative AI music platforms like Suno and Udio, are trained on large datasets of **existing copyrighted music**, to learn patterns in harmony, instrumentation, rhythm and song structure.

This is not art, this is not music, this is not human, and this is not something I want to have anything to do with. I want to work with musicians and bands to create art that is human and unique.

As such I have put in place the following AI policy for Dave Rhodes Productions, effective immediately:

- *I choose not to work with artists or bands who use generative AI songwriting and music creation tools.*
- *I will not use generative AI songwriting and music creation tools in my music production.*
- *I strongly discourage the use of AI generated artwork and video e.g. gig posters, album/single artwork, and music videos.*
- *I will occasionally use AI powered plug-ins to clean up and enhance **human** performances - these plug-ins are **not** cloud-based generative AI music tools.*



What I can help you with:

- Pre-production
- Recording
- Mixing
- Mastering

I can also connect you with:

- Session musicians
- Songwriters to co-write with
- Suppliers to source appropriate equipment
- Graphic designers
- Video Directors

Please respect producers, sound engineers, musicians, songwriters and graphic designers - work with real people! Your art will be better for it.

For more information about my services visit: daverhodesproductions.com