

# Tourism & Events Working Group – Report

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## Report of meeting March 10<sup>th</sup> 2010

- Present: Cllrs Sue Toft-Hunt, Cheryl Stamper, Emma Carroll; Deputy Clerk / TIO Manager Liz Dowell; Chamber of Trade – Charles Chaney

### **Events - Macmillan Bike & Trike**

CC reported on arrangements by Macmillan for the fund raising event. Manor Waste will be used for the start of the 50-mile route, ends on Ashbrook. Barriers will be set up to designate the start track. Ashbrook will start the family 12 mile route, and have a kids circuit laid out.

**For consideration** – do WPC want run anything on the site as part of the event?

CC assured the WG that :

- Damage to Ashbrook will be repaired
- Litter will be cleared

WG recommend to organisers that:

- Risk assessment by organisers is recommended
- Disabled facilities should be considered

### **Events – Christmas Carols and lights switch on**

**Recommend to Amenities** – date 1<sup>st</sup> Dec, in conjunction with lights switch on and late night shopping organised by Chamber of Trade.

5:00pm lights switch on

5:15pm Carols, in front of Budgens to avoid crush around the War Memorial

**LD will progress the band booking –Aylesbury Community Band**

**CC will organise refreshment stalls through the CofT** . Max 4 stalls selling to avoid this becoming a designated market. Suggested chestnuts (Mr Pettrigrove), Pizzas (bake-away), soup, mulled wine.

Invite children to attend in fancy dress – book/film theme.

### **Events – Anglo-French fete Saturday 22nd May.**

The Liffre guests will be welcomed at a buffet then attend a small fete on Manor Waste

New time – 2-4pm on the Manor waste. French /Twinning are organising Palets Breton, crepes, cider tasting.

WPC will invite local schools to perform Maypole dancing and Morris dancing

WPC will invite local brewery

Spinner has been booked

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**Action – LD/Andy to arrange tenting, sandbags to anchor the maypole, power point for the music.**

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## **Events – Fun in the Park**

Budget £750

Timing : 2 – 6pm

LD provided options and the following were agreed to be booked – **Action LD**

- Balloon modeller – free
- Inflatable assault course and the paintball target shooting, at no cost to the council on the percentage scheme

Small stalls and Candy Floss to be run by WPC similar to last year's arrangements. More stalls can be considered with RAF help.

Welly Whanging to be run by Macmillan – **Action CC**

St Annes to be invited to run own fund-raising activities. MS-Centre will be invited to run own activities - **Action LD**

RAF to be invited to next meeting in order to plan activities – **Action LD**

Invite Chiltern Brewery to run beer tent – **Action LD**

Music - Andy has offered free event but needs to hire speakers (c. £400). **Action - CC will try to source speakers**

Toilets needed as last year – **LD to approach Pickering's**

## **Markets**

LD reported on bookings for the summer entertainment and charity markets

- Summer Charity Market – Balloon modeller
- Christmas charity market - Circus Unlimited
- July – Jazz band
- August – Circus workshop
- Sept. – Umbanda drum workshop
- Dec. Produce market – Community Band

Discussed a request by Bruno Markets to hold a themed French market in Wendover on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April. **Recommend to Amenities** – accept this although at short notice and ensure local traders are aware via the CofT

## **Discussions on Tourist office gifts**

The Christmas cards that were selected last year were not produced in time so LD will

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progress these for Christmas 2010It was noted that the new gifts (purses/bags) and the new sweet display are already proving popular.

**Recommend to Amenities** – purchase of stickers to be put on the standard sweet boxes

### **Supporting the local RAF**

Suggested that WPC and Chamber of Trade have a poster for display in shops and homes ‘Wendover supports local heroes’ **Recommend to Amenities** –to forward this to full council.

**Date of next WG meeting:** 7:00 Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April at Dobbins Lane