

Minutes of the Bampton Fair Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 3rd November 2021, 5pm in the LARC.

Present – Cllr. White (Chairman); Cllr. Fouracres; Steve Caddy; Tony Conway; Tony Mount; Penny Clapham (Clerk)

1) Apologies and Acceptance for Absence: Cllr. N. Bull. Ed Tanner.

2) Declarations Of Interest: In accordance with the Code of Conduct, Council members are required to declare any personal or disclosable pecuniary interests, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have, in items to be considered at this meeting.

3) Public Discussion – To allow any questions, reports by members of the public on any matters relating to the agenda of this meeting or any matters the public would like the Fair Committee to consider on a future agenda.

4) Minutes – the minutes of meetings held on 1st September and 6th October 2021 were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

5) Round up from the 2021 Charter Fair – to receive assorted reports.

- i. Cll. White thanked everyone for the incredibly hard work in difficult weather conditions. Many areas of the Fair need a polish but the feedback so far - take it as a working success. It really felt like the Fair had revised itself. Steve Caddy echoed these sentiments.
- ii. Steve Caddy; entertainments/Rotary – feedback from the hall area (kids zone) very positive. Entertainers very happy. Music stage should be bigger and closed in, not just a roof but sides too. Not sure that the location worked so well. Locations will be looked at. Suggested have some entertainers on the stage as well as musicians. Straw bale seating around the stage a possibility. Steve stated he now has a better idea of promoting and advertising the Fair.
- iii. The marquees used 20 peoples' goodwill twice – they also leaked and stall holders lost stock as a result of the rain coming in. To consider renting one large marquee in future. The history of the Fair should be promoted. Perhaps a story/play on the stage, Bampton Players. Cllr. White to research marquees.
- iv. Stall holder crib sheets need to be expanded with phone numbers. Standardisation of the application forms and the pricing to be adopted for 2022.
- v. Good vibes from those in the Church – another piano will be sponsored for busking.
- vi. All the signage needs to be re-structured + good signage created for the craft fair and the kids zone. Tony Weiss was very helpful and is thanked for his advice. Need a road plan for signage.
- vii. The funfair did reduce their price on the rides for the Wednesday night. There is no need to have a Station Road 'no parking' on the previous Sunday in order to let in the Fair, according the fairground staff themselves.
- viii. Possibly move the control room to a more central location.
- ix. The newer stalls were well received by the shopping public. Need a start trading time to be put onto the stallholder application forms.
- x. More food stalls needed: more helpers needed both before and on the day. Stall pitches to be standardised at 3m per pitch, no halves. Pricing to be £30 per pitch.
- xi. Update the logo of the fair, with perhaps a more medieval touch.

6) Planning for 2022 – to commence planning for the 2022 Charter Fair 5th January 2022

The next Committee meeting will be held on 5th January 2022 at 5.00pm.
Meeting closed at 6.33pm

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