

Events

Background

Following the successful Spooky Party in October 2023, Council has a desire to provide further free community events in the future.

A budget of £4000 has been set for events in the 2024/2025 financial year.

Event ideas

To commence planning the events program for 2023/2025 financial year, a number of options have been investigated:

Easter holidays craft event

- Suggested date of Wednesday 10 April 2024, 10am to 12 noon
- Facilitated by an external provider at a cost of £150 which includes the event facilitator and all craft supplies
- Each child who attends to be given a small Easter egg, cost of £26.50
- Establish a budget of £50 maximum to provide tea, coffee, juice, fruit & biscuits. However, contact local shops to seek a donation of these items to support the community event
- A daytime event hosted during normal staff working hours
- Suggested budget of £226.50

D Day 80 – 6 June 2024

- Offer to provide a commemorative flag for the village to be displayed on the flagpole in the grounds of the Welfare Trust. A 6ft x 4ft flag from the official D Day 80 flag provider is quoted as £34.50 including delivery
- Design a D Day 80 medal competition. Involve Samuel Batlow School, the Youth Club, Busy Bees Nursery and publicise on social media. Provide prizes for different age groups categories, for example age 5 and under, age 6 to 11 and age 12 upwards. Entries to be judged and prizes given. A suggestion of 2 prizes each category, 1st £20 and runner up £10 at a total cost of £90
- Paper reem £13 and printing of the competition templates approximately £15
- Suggested budget of £152.50

Community 'Whats On' event

- Saturday afternoon at the village hall
- Invite local groups, food bank, District and Councillors, Police, N&SDC Community Protection Officer and other village stakeholders to share with residents what their clubs, classes, services and facilities provide to the community and promote new memberships
- Promote networking and cohesion between village stakeholders and groups
- Allow residents the opportunity to speak with their Councillors and Policing team
- Hire a bouncy castle to attract residents to the event - quotes to be obtained
- Balloon maker for children's entertainment - quotes to be obtained

- Tea, Coffee, Fruit, Biscuits

Pre-schoolers play time

- Under 5's event
- An opportunity for preschool children to meet in a fun environment, giving a chance to make new friends, build familiarity and reduce potential anxiety when starting school
- Allows parents / guardians to meet
- Plan for late June / early July
- A morning 10am-12noon with soft play and a small bouncy castle - quotes to be obtained
- Event during normal staff working hours
- Tea, biscuits, juice and fruit, a maximum of £50 budget
- Promote via social media and Samuel Barlow school

Summers holidays nature hunt / trail

- Similar to the treasure hunt facilitated in summer 2023, a nature trail / hunt
- Seek involvement from N&SDC and the trail could be hosted at Vicars Water
- Laminated sheets for children to find out information and collect items, e.g. a small stone or a leaf
- Engage N&SDC Councillors and community team to understand if this can be a joint initiative
- Seek support and funding towards this event / activity from N&SDC
- Launch event at the start of the summer holidays to include a drop in craft event at the village hall. Guide price of £150
- Provide nature hunt templates for completion
- Provide activities for children to do at home, including colouring sheets and word searches. Estimated cost of £13 for paper plus £15 printing
- Prizes

Spooky Party

- An event based upon the spooky party in October 2023
- Suggested date of Saturday 12 October 2024
- Ticketed event
- Allocate budget for decorations, goody bags
- Snacks, drinks, tea coffee – allocate budget and seek to obtain donations from local supermarkets / shops
- Entertainment – seek an exchange of hall hire for disco and bouncy castle

Wellbeing event

- Cllr Scott Carlton of Notts County Council has approached Council to host a wellbeing event at the village hall
- The event would be facilitated by the County Council with support from Clipstone Parish Council
- Cllr Carton has requested use of the village hall with no hire fees being incurred

Other event ideas to explore further include

- A Festive event
- Tea Dance
- Feb half term 2025
- Teen's event

Recommendations

- Council should consider event suggestions and resolve if it would like to proceed with any suggested events detailed in this report
- Council should allocate a budget to each event it resolves to progress
- To consider if the village hall can be provided at no cost for a wellbeing event