

Mr Newstead commented that he would be looking to do two things. Firstly, secure event acts which required no deposit, as he was very keen to proceed with planning. Safety Advisory Group meetings were discussed. Mrs Bennett explained that a COVID Risk Assessment would be required, plus the group would require visitor numbers to the event and advice on how this would be monitored as safety was paramount. Mrs Bennett provided a template to Miss Newstead to start populating in order to give it some thought as to how to proceed.

Mr & Miss Newstead were unclear on the budget allocations and requested some clarification from Mrs Jay.

The meeting concluded with the decision that Mr Newstead would take another look at the budget and try to drop more costs where possible. Cllr Bellow said this is crucial as we cannot raise the precept under any circumstances.

Points of action were discussed. Miss Newstead requested Mrs Bennett liaise with the City traders as to what they would like to happen as Mrs Bennett, as Town Centre Manager requested this has lapsed over the years and the businesses are not involved. Mr Newstead replied that the event over the years has not received the support and publicity it required to generate interest from the town centre.

All decided that the event would need to better be spaced out and perhaps using the High Street as a link to the event and create involvement with the High Street. Mrs Bennett said it's very important this event was community based after lockdowns and lack of trade. Fund raising options were discussed for forthcoming Apple and Harvest Day, October 9th, and other ideas.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

There was no any other business.

8. DATES OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 25th August 2021 @ 6.30pm, at the Maltings

Chairman
25th August 2021