

TOWCESTER MIDSUMMER MUSIC FESTIVAL 2024

COMMITTEE REPORT

Objectives

The objectives of the Towcester Midsummer Music Festival are :-

1. The advancement of the arts for public benefit, in participation through the organization and delivery of an annual music festival in the town.
2. To further such exclusively charitable purposes for public benefit, by appointing the trustees absolute discretion as they shall think fit from time to time, in particular through the making of grants and donations.

Preparation

The 2024 Festival took place over the weekend of the 21st, 22nd and 23rd of June. The management committee organised performances on the Friday in the Parish Church and the Town Hall, and on the Saturday in the Town Hall. Over the weekend, eleven local public houses and cafés organised their own programmes to give the town a full musical experience. Saturday evening ended with the usual organised fireworks display in the Water Meadows.

Prior to the Festival, arrangements were made for stewarding and formal applications made to the Police, Fire Service and District Council. The services of the St John Ambulance Service were procured, and confirmation made that the Festival was adequately insured.

Programme

Friday 21st June

Artistes

Towcester Mill

Craig Live

Parish Church

Jojo and the Mojos

Town Hall

Sponne School Musicians

Young Musicians

The Plough

Towcester Community Choir

Dan Smith

Idle Palms

DJ Steve

Saracens Head Hotel

Fleetwood Mac Tribute

Brave Old Oak

The Band Isabelle

The Bull

Identity Crisis

The Monk & Tipster

Karaoke Night

Saturday 22nd June

Town Hall

“Lets Rock”

Lincoln Noel Trio

Towcester Mill

NN12 Choir

Towcester Studio Band

The Dilemma

Watling Street Village

Fascination

Contraband

Saracens Head Hotel

Renew 169 Café

The Plough

Tove Valley Centre

The Bull

Monk & Tipster

Brave Old Oak

The All Fab Beatle Tribute

Abba Tribute

Scarecrows

The Songbook Singers

Willy and the Sarge

MLC3

DJ Diet

Fawsley Singers

Opus 4

The Fabulous Miss Jones

Christie Drummer

“That’s what she Said”

Sunday, 23rd June

St Lawrence Church

The Bull

Watling Street Village

Wharfe Distillery

Brave Old Oak

Monk & Tipster

Songs of Praise

Duncan Craven Music

Nightlife

Women in Music

Kyle Boswell

Sgt Fury

Conclusion

Once again, the Music Festival was declared to be a great success by those who attended, bringing local people into the Town Centre to enjoy a weekend of music and fellowship.

Financial Report

Income from the Festival was an improvement of the previous year, mainly due to an increase in support from our sponsors, but also as a result of a weekend of fine weather which increased the footfall.

Donations

The increase in income enabled the Trustees to donate extra funding to local charitable causes. Cheques for £1300 each were presented by the Town Mayor at the September Council Meeting to Dogs for Good, South Northants Youth Engagement and the local branch of MacMillan Cancer Support, In addition, a cheque for £150 was presented to the Parish Church for the use of their facilities.

David Reed	-	Chairman & Trustee
Peter Stratton	-	Treasurer & Trustee
David Tarbun	-	Trustee

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RECEIPTS	£
B/fwd	2400.25
Unpaid Cheques	200.00
Sponsors	4375.00
Ticket Sales	1438.92
Donations	1335.50
Bar Takings	865.55
Bucket Collections	348.45
Float	400.00
TOTAL	£11363.67

PAYMENTS	
Artistes	1220.00
Printing	186.00
Fireworks	1201.50
TENS	42.00
Float	400.00
Jim's Gift	74.51
Banners	318.40
Web Site	272.80
Mill Brewery	436.25
Signs etc.	212.28
St John Ambulance	137.28
Andrew's Gift	60.00
TOTAL	4561.02

Donations **4050.00**

Cash in Bank **2752.65**

TOTAL **£11363.67**

Peter Stratton ACIB
Treasurer
13th November 2024