

Whimble Village Week Cancelled

I think many of you may have been expecting this news but, with a heavy heart, the committee has decided it would be wiser not to go ahead with Village Week this year.

It wasn't an easy decision and actually took two meetings to finally achieve a resolution. We accept that, according to regulations, we probably could have gone ahead with some careful management of social distancing. However, with rapidly rising numbers everything felt very uncertain and in the end decided we couldn't, in conscience, take the risk.

We have identified a limited number of events that we felt we could retain to preserve some cheer so look out for things being advertised like the Fun Run and the Ducks.

We would also ask you to continue to support the raffle. Please don't think it doesn't matter now – it does more than ever if we are going to be able to provide a really excellent Village Day next year (Sat 9th July 2022) and continue to support various groups within the village. Many of you will have received raffle tickets in the last Whimble News and these can be dropped off at 1 Henry Lewis Close, just off the Square. The prizes are excellent!

Our very own Village Week Consigliere, David Myers, will be drawing the Raffle, come rain or shine, at 5pm on what would have been Village Day - 10th July - in the middle of the Parish Field. Those are the rules and must be followed. Do come and enjoy this mini-event.

Finally, all is not lost, because we do have a potential back stop - we are hoping to collaborate with a drama group called the Common Players and put together an event on Saturday 4th Sept so 'Save the Date' and we hope to get back to you soon.

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