

Ware Town Council Events 2023/4

School Summer holiday activities

Our analysis of the programme of Summer holiday activities shows:

Total summer spend: £6485.00

9 activities over 6 weeks

3 aimed at over 12s

Approx 1320 attendees

October half term activities 2023

Over the October half term holiday we hosted a Halloween Craft workshop, a film, a lego workshop and gaming. This was at a cost of £1670.00. 580 children attended across the four events.

Carol Concert

The Annual Carol Concert will take place on Sunday 17th December. If playing outside Ware Brass will play. The Concert will take place outside if the weather allows, otherwise in Fletcher's Lea. We are looking at serving mulled wine to raise funds for the Mayor's charity.

2024 Events

Cinema January - May

The January-May 2024 programme is now in place:

16 th January	The Old Oak
13 th February	Joyride
12 th March	The Great Escaper
16 th April	The Miracle Club
14 th May	Killers of the Flower Moon

February 2024 half term holiday

On Tuesday 13th February 2023 we will show two films in Fletcher's Lea, one for younger children and a family film:

2pm	Elementals
6.30pm	Dungeons & Dragons

Easter Funday

The Easter activities will take place at the Priory on Saturday March 30th 2024.

10th Annual Food Festival 2024

Proposed date of Sunday 12th May, Noon-4pm. Food & produce stalls, live music.

Summer Concerts

A programme of summer entertainment May-September will be put together during autumn/winter 2023

D-Day 80th Anniversary – 6th June 2024

Proposal for some or all of the elements below:

Proposal:

6.45pm	Flag ceremony with uniform youth/Mayor/Councillors
'Land Girls'/Wonder women Of the War?	Entertainment 7pm-9pm
Music	7.30pm-8pm. 8.15pm-9pm Barry Sapsford's Swing Orchestra? 40s feel? Something modern?
Beacon lighting:	Sunset 21.15 so 21.20
Finish:	21.30
Throughout:	Pop up Fish & chip bar

Approximate cost for all of the above: £3000.00-£3500

Ware Festival 2024

Ware Festival and all its associated events will begin with Carnival Day on Saturday July 6th. Planning will commence in November 2023.

School Holiday activities

Work will begin on the May/Summer/October 2024 & February 2025 programme in November.

Mayoral Events

Humanist Service: 8th October: This was well received by those who attended.

Mayor's Reception for volunteers: 7th December, Fletcher's Lea – 7pm-8.30pm

Quiz Night: 10th November, Fletcher's Lea

Mayor's Gala: 23rd March 2024, Fletcher's Lea; information & ticket application will go out in the New Year.

Ware's The Music

Ware's the Music was put together by a group of local volunteers & music enthusiasts in conjunction with local pubs, in 2017 and continued successfully until the pandemic. There was no event in either 2020 or 2021. The venues then decided that they no longer wished to work with the Ware's The Music Committee and withdrew. In 2023 a new group, 'Ware Is The Music' was formed by local publicans with a proposed date of 24th June 2023. However, the event didn't come together.

It is recommended that this event remain within the hospitality community.

Eco Audit – Ware Town Council Events

Look at food miles

Local/organic food

Vegetarian/vegan options

Encourage traders to use non plastic food containers

Reduce reliance on generators by providing suitable electric points for traders/musicians

Include biodiversity & ecology activities as part of the holiday activities programme

