

Review of 2022 presented at the Wentworth Fundraising AGM, January 2023



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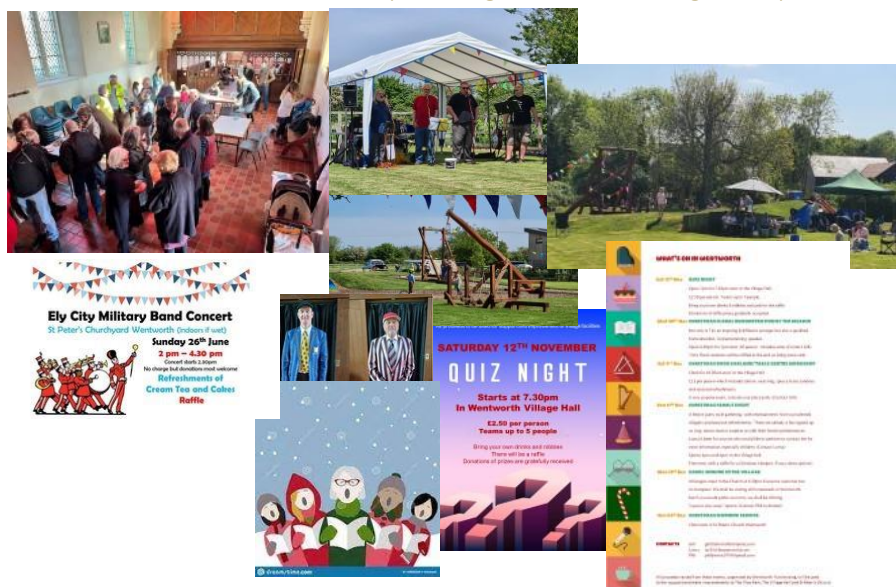
Brief review of the year

First, thanks to all those who have volunteered their time and energy.

We re-started Wentworth Fundraising due to Zipwire-gate.

It turned into a rekindling of community spirit – not just for fundraising

We did all this! (amongst other things.....)



Under the Wentworth Fundraising banner, we had some fun, no?

..and not forgetting....



The latter (Spirit and Sparkle) was not designed as a fundraiser, but did contribute!

We also did some admin.....

Changed aims to:for the **public benefit in particular the residents of Wentworth, Cambridgeshire and visitors thereto, to support active recreation, leisure and community social activity by encouraging the use of and supporting the supply of equipment for St. Peter's Church, the community Village Hall and the community playpark and the related maintenance of the same..**

=> Small charity status was confirmed by HMRC

⇒ Gift aid – pledging started

⇒ We can add other activities to the supported items for them to benefit if they wish

What next?



And projects.....



Wentworth Village Fete

Sunday 7th May
in the Play Park
1 – 5pm

Wentworth Fundraisers have been busy planning the Fete and have a range of fun activities to fill your afternoon.

The aim of the event is to get together as a village community, celebrate the Coronation of King Charles, have fun and raise funds to support Wentworth's amenities, the Playpark, Village Hall and Church.

Please bring a picnic and chairs. There will be gazebos and a marquee for shelter from 'the weather'.

For your entertainment we have:-

The Grand Raffle

Lots of spectacular prizes generously donated by local businesses. Cinema tickets, a round of golf for 4, afternoon tea at The Almonry, Chic face & body voucher plus many more. Just £1 each. Please help raise funds by selling tickets to friends and family.

Bottle Tombola

Buy a ticket and the lucky numbers will win a bottle of something.
Donations of bottles would be much appreciated. They don't need to be alcohol.

A Snail Race

Recruit a snail from your garden and get it trained up to compete in the Grand Wentworth Coronation Derby.

Stalls

Guess how many sweets in the jar?
Name the Gardener?
How many can you hold?
Plants
Make a crown
Smash the crockery

Scarecrow Competition

We invite residents of Wentworth to build Scarecrows in their front gardens for the week before and after the Fete.

The theme is 'Royal' which can be interrupted as you please. A prize will be awarded to the favourite one.

Judging will be by ballot at the Fete, so make sure your scarecrow is up by Sunday 30th April.

If anyone would like to erect a scarecrow on the triangular island in the road at the top of Main Street, or by the phone box please contact one of the organisers.



Craft Stalls

My Woof Wears
Jewellery By Julie
We have space for more Craft stalls if anyone would like a stall to sell their handmade items. Just £10. Tables supplied. Contact organisers.

See you on the 7th May

All donations of goods and time are much appreciated and contribute to a successful event. If you would like to make a donation or help in any way please contact one of the organisers or julie.fullerton@hotmail.co.uk. Thank you.

The Fete was a huge success, down to great support from the army of volunteers, those attending and the weather!

The first target was to encourage a community gathering, use the opportunity to have some fun and maybe make some money. The figures are not finalised, but we estimate already that after costs some £600 was raised.

Project statuses

You win some, you lose some.....

1. Playpark equipment

Estimates have been received to place small swings and picnic tables in the playpark costing ~£6k.

Supported by the Parish Council, a grant application was made to the Mick George Community Fund for £5k towards this, the balance already available from and committed by Wentworth Fundraising.

Unfortunately, the bid was unsuccessful. No feedback is given, so we do not know the reasons.

The group will review over the next months and propose next steps.

2. Replacement heaters and furniture in the village hall and church

Quotes have been received for the replacement of the faulty heaters and all chairs and tables in the hall amounting to ~£12.5k.

Wentworth Fundraising has supported the grant application made to the Amey Community Fund by the Parochial Church Council for £10.8k.

After the first round, the application has been shortlisted and the second round reviewed in the next weeks.

Wentworth Fundraising has already committed the balance required and the Contributing Third Party funding required should the application be successful, which amount to £2,720.

Wentworth Fundraising will thus invest nearly £4k of the charities funds to support community activity in the village.

Coffers will be replenished as time progresses.