

## Report for Stow Parish Annual Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019

### Stow Fun Raisers – 2018/19

The aim of the Stow Fun Raisers is to foster and extend the strong sense of community spirit in Stow by organising fun events, which will appeal to all age groups and backgrounds represented in the village population. Money raised at these events should benefit the local community primarily with any surplus going to local charities or individual good causes or such other charitable purposes as the committee should from time to time decide.

We meet several times throughout the year and organise various events which we publicise through the Parish Newsletter, Stow and Sturton Facebook pages, on our blog: <https://stowfunraisers.wordpress.com> and on the A board. We also do an occasional newsletter for all households in the village letting them know about events and asking for ideas. Our events have generally proved popular both with villagers and those from nearby villages.

During 2018 and in the early part of 2019, Stow Fun Raisers have (or will have) facilitated the following events for the community:

- Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2018 - Quiz Night at the Cross Keys
- Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April - Village Litter Pick
- Sunday 13<sup>h</sup> June - Annual Bike Ride and BBQ on the Village Green
  
- Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August - Village Garage Sale
- Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September - Village Litter Pick
- December - Christmas Tree purchased on behalf of the Parish Council and decorated
  
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December - Carol Singing round the Christmas Tree
  
- Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2019 - Quiz Night at the Cross Keys
- Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March - Live and Local – Son Yambu at Sturton Village Hall
  
- Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April - Village Litter Pick
- Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June - Annual BBQ and Bike Ride

In 2018 we purchased and planted more spring bulbs for the village green. We have also prepared a 'Welcome letter' to be hand delivered to new residents.

We are planning a musical evening in summer 2019 and a Talk Night for autumn, as well as putting up the Christmas Tree and arranging carol singing as usual. We also plan to bid for a further Live and Local event for 2020.

The collection at the carol singing went to St Barnabas.

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Secretary, Stow Fun Raisers  
April 2019