

**Report to the Asset Management and
Economic Development Cabinet
Committee**



**Epping Forest
District Council**

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Portfolio: Asset Management and Economic Development

Subject: North Weald Airfield Community Day - 17th July 2016

Responsible Officer: Derek Macnab (01992 564050)

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Recommendations/Decisions Required:

To note the progress of the organisation of the North Weald Community Day 2016.

Report:

1. The North Weald Airfield Community Day this year will take the form of an old fashioned village fete with associated attractions. The "Air Fete" will go back to the pre- air show format with the main event area being on the grass opposite Hangars 4 & 6. The strap line for the show would be North Weald Airfield 100 not out! – which is in keeping with the village fete theme (village cricket match) and ties in with the Airfield surviving 2 world wars. The entry fee will be £6 per person (with a concession for children under 2 years) and will run from 10.00am until 4.00pm. This year's nominated charity will be Voluntary Action Epping Forest (VAEF).
2. Public relations are fully supporting the event and will be setting up a dedicated event web site, some banners will be displayed at the airfield soon. The usual radio adverts will be aired in the lead up to the event. Epping Forest Guardian is to be approached to see if they will include a piece about the event in their history section.
3. Following the tragic events at Shoreham last year we will be unable to stage any form of air display however it is hoped that some historic aircraft will visit the airfield during the day. These visits will part of the routine activities of the airfield and as such do not need any special permission or licence or infringe the latest CAA guidance on air displays.
4. To mark their involvement in World War II, the Norwegian air force has been invited to the event and will be bringing in a C-130 Hercules. There will be a large District Council contingent in attendance together with Essex Fire and Rescue, Essex Police and the Ambulance Service and the Parish Council. The Epping and Ongar Heritage Railway will provide a link between the train stations and the event. The Chairman of Council will be invited along with counterparts from Epping, North Weald and Ongar Parish Councils. All previous attendees are to be contacted to see if they would like to return. The Council's current market contractor (Saunders Markets) will also be in attendance with a themed market.

5. The event will take place on the grass in front of Hangars 4 and 6 and the car park will remain on the Hangar 2 Apron with the pay gate opposite Hangar 7.
6. As with past events Russ Smith of Weald Aviation will be the event licensee and as such will provide the insurance and risk assessments etc.

Resource Implications:

The event will be resource neutral with all profit being donated to VAEF.

Legal and Governance Implications:

All insurances above and beyond the councils normal liability will be provided by Weald Aviation.

Safer, Cleaner and Greener Implications:

None

Consultation Undertaken:

None

Background Papers:

None

Risk Management:

The community day working party will undertake a full risk assessment for the event.

Due Regard Record

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S149 Equality Act 2010 requires that due regard must be paid to this information when considering the subject of this report.

This is a community day event where everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. The usual disabled facilities will be available and community transport will be on hand to assist those with mobility difficulties.