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BECCLES CELEBRATES WITH THE QUEEN ON HER DIAMOND JUBILEE



Special points of interest:

- * Queen's Diamond Jubilee
- * Antique street market Sunday 6th May 2012
- * Friday Market Consultation
- * Beccles Museum Displays
- * Allotments
- * Help for Norfolk & Waveney Mental Health

A wonderful weekend is in store for residents and visitors, on Sunday 3rd and Monday 4th June 2012. Flags, bunting, balloons and a flotilla will grace the Quay along with stalls, musical entertainment, magic and fun from street entertainers.

Sunday: 12 noon to 3.00pm - Town Centre

The town centre will be closed for the grand opening ceremony with street entertainers, bands, food and charity stalls. Classic cars will also be on display. At 1.00pm in the Public Hall 60 invited deserving children with their parents will be able to enjoy the food laid on and later, goody bags to take home.

Monday: 12noon to 10.30pm - Beccles Quay

Join the parade of youth

organisations from town centre to the Quay. Once there everyone can enjoy the donkey rides, stalls, bar and hot food. Plenty for the boat enthusiasts with a regatta and at 1.30pm a Flotilla from the Lido for smaller craft and the Yacht station for larger craft to the Quay. All boats will be decorated with bunting and plenty of noise from trumpets and drums. At 2.30pm parachutists will land in the main area and from 3.00—5.00pm join the huge 'Picnic in the Park' and listen to great live music until 10.00pm.

For the *finale* there will be a torch light procession round the park (don't forget your torches) leading to the Millennium Beacon which will be lit at 10.20pm by Beccles Sea Cadets.

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Celebrate Hungate: This year Hungate Church is celebrating the 200th Anniversary of the Building. The Church's history goes back much further to 1652 when the first Independent Congregation in Beccles was founded. Around 1690, a Meeting House was built on the present site and provided a place for worship until the building of the much larger church in 1812. 'The Story of Hungate Church 1652-2012' has been written by the Rev. Don Moxon and will be launched as part of the celebrations on **Friday 17th April at 7.00pm— Book Launch with drama by Bruce Cox and an exhibition. Saturday 28th 10am -4pm Exhibition, pipe organ and tours. Sunday 29th 10.45am Worship; 1.30-4.00pm Exhibition and refreshments, 2.30pm Drama— Come and Celebrate.**

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BECCLES FRIDAY MARKET CONSULTATION

New Market has been closed off for nearly 6 months to enable the Friday Market to expand and Beccles & District Regeneration Ltd, along with the Town Council, would appreciate your comments on how successful or not you feel the road closure is. There have been concerns from businesses that the road closure is causing a drop in their takings and the Council

obviously take this very seriously. Therefore, proposals to change the layout of the market have been discussed, allowing traffic to access the market area for a certain time, but before these costly changes are implemented, the Council and B&DRL would like to hear from you.

Your comments would be appreciated, so phone or email a response to the following:

1. Keep the market as it is
2. Revert back to how it was
3. Change the layout and re-open New Market for a limited period on market day

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