

Town Hall and Butchers' Hall Report – May 2023

Town Hall

Bookings enquiries for the upcoming year and beyond remain healthy.

Extensive work begins shortly on the Town Hall roof which is, of course, great news but will cause minor inconvenience to users of the Town Hall. All contacts that have booked the Town Hall between now and the end of September 2023 have been contacted and informed of the works, which will result in substantial scaffolding in front of the main building. The works will not affect our ability to host all types of events that are always on offer in the Town Hall. Although there will be some noise from construction work during the week, the relevant hirers have been informed and it is not thought to be too disruptive to the types of events that are being held. As there will not be any construction works during the weekends the only impact on weekend events such as weddings etc. will be the aesthetics outside of the front Town Hall Building.

The level of casual workers remains satisfactory; A Duty Officer position has now been filled pending references. This appointment is a good addition to the team and will enable us to improve on our already strong offering both at the Town Hall and in Butchers Hall.

A busy May has included at least one booking every weekend (including a paranormal investigation, a line dancing hen do, a wrestling event and a christening).

In addition to event hire, Tavistock Town Hall remains in weekly use for our regular hirers (Zumba, Full of Life, Line Dancing and Vocal Harem) and the monthly hire for U3A.

Upcoming events for the Town Hall continue to be well advertised through posters, our social media platforms and the Tavistock Town Council website.

The Market and Events team also continue to manage some additional events that had been previously booked through the Tavistock Heritage Trust during the interim closure period in the Guildhall.

Butchers' Hall

Booking enquiries for this year and beyond remain healthy, and with upcoming spring and summer markets the frequency of events increases.

A busy May/June schedule in Butchers Hall, includes our monthly in-house Arts Markets and in June we have our first Friday Arts Market to

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accommodate its increasing popularity (particularly in spring and summer months).

Over the final May bank holiday Butchers Hall will be hosting an in-house market on Sunday 28th & Monday 29th. This Market is part of the Tavistock Country Garden Show event and will run alongside all other aspects of this flagship event for the Markets and Events team.

In May Butchers Hall has also held; Arts Market on the 6th, Makers Market on 18th, 19th and 20th (both in-house events) and Vintage Fair on 27th (outside hirer). In June we will host; Arts Market on 2nd & 3rd (in-house), Miss Ivy events on 10th & 17th (outside hirer), and the Food & Craft Fair on 22nd, 23rd & 24th.

Butchers Hall Market events advertisements are regularly placed in the Links publications. In addition, a banner, posters and flyers are displayed to advertise the Markets in Butchers Hall.

An advert for our monthly Arts Markets, including a short editorial will be appearing in upcoming edition of Tavistock Times Gazette towards the end of the month.

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