

King's Coronation Celebrations May 5th-8th 2023

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Report for Claxby Parish Council meeting May 16th 2023

1) Number of people attending

Quiz = 25

Concert and afternoon tea = 90+

Art and Craft display = 34

Open Gardens = 26 in Normanby : no record for Claxby

Family picnic = 25

Treasure Trail = 6 family groups

Scarecrows = 9 from Claxby Grange up to Normanby

2) Thoughts from the organising committee

a) What went well

- Fun quiz (25 attendees compared to 31 in 2022).
- Great concert and afternoon tea (90+) : lovely cake and tea outside in the sunshine.
- Normanby Open Gardens created considerable interest with a steady stream of visitors. 26 visitors counted at Mrs Wheatley's garden and so, in all probability, they will have visited the 2 other gardens open in Normanby.
- High quality Art and Craft display (10am – 3pm May 8th) in newly refurbished village hall : number of visitors = 34. [In 2022 the display ran from 1pm-5pm on both June 3rd (26 visitors) and June 4th (32 visitors) although a small number of repeat visitors on day 2].
- Claxby Open Gardens – no record
- Range and variety of scarecrows for a first event = 9
- Treasure trail was primarily for family groups. 6 groups completed the treasure trail and handed in the completed questions. All family groups either live in the village or were the children/grandchildren of villagers.
- Family picnic in the Viking Centre = 25

b) For consideration – some initial feedback.

- The weather – very obliging on Sunday, less so on the Monday. Hard to gauge its overall impact on attendance and participation rates on the Monday afternoon because there is no record of the number of people visiting the gardens in Claxby. However, several family groups visited the Open Gardens and the Art/Craft display (the numbers visiting the latter being comparable to 2022) whilst undertaking the treasure trail and looking at the scarecrows.
- Too many activities on the Monday afternoon and impact upon attendance at the Open Gardens and Art/Craft display?
- Too short a time in the Claxby Open Gardens, particularly for less mobile visitors. On average 20 minutes per garden in the afternoon compared to 40 minutes in

the morning. (In 2022 we had 2 lots of 4 different gardens opened for 2.5 hours in the afternoons of June 3rd and 4th).

- Timing of family picnic – people too tired at the end of the celebrations and a busy Monday.

3) Money raised

- a) Quiz raffle = £61
- b) Church concert donations approx. £60
- c) Cake donations approx. £50

Total approx. £171

We need to decide how this should be spent, or not spent.

4) Next steps

- a) Produce photographic record for display in the Village Hall, Viking Centre and St Mary's church.
- b) How should the money raised be used?
- c) Next meeting of the King's Coronation Committee is Friday May 19th at 2.00pm in the village hall.