

Meeting	Full Council
Date	22nd October 2024
Report Title	Community Development Committee Recommendations
Agenda Reference	13 A&B
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Recommendations:

- A.** To hold the Summer Extravaganza '25 on 16th August 2025 at Trent Road.
B. To note the rationale for the Christmas Carnival location: Rose/Walk Blunsdon Road, as agreed by Community Development Committee on 1st October 2024.

Summer Extravaganza '25 - Why Trent Road?

Location	Pros	Cons
Trent Road Play Area	- Parish Council leased grounds. - Promotes our open spaces. - This is at least twice the size of Haydonleigh School Field and would allow all activities and entertainment in one area with clear visibility. - Flat and accessible grounds - Enough space to potentially have onsite parking for traders and entertainers, reducing need for neighbourhood parking. - Build business links locally - Close to Council Office/GMF for easy set up and movement of resources.	- Again in 'old' Haydon Wick area and maybe considered as bias to residents in other areas of the parish. - Would also need to consider weekend security to allow for pre-set up – additional cost - Parking and noise impact on local housing
Haydonleigh School	- Following on from a successful event - An opportunity to put recommendations in place - School happy for us to use again. - Familiar location to community - Lockable site - Ample parking - Accessible site	- No Dogs - Event ownership confusion - Need to ensure the event is inclusive of all residents - Fragmented site – out of sight out of mind
Oakhurst Ventnor or Luna Play Parks	- An opportunity to offer a sense of belonging to Oakhurst (and northerly) residents - Would suit a smaller event, such as outdoor theatre, family picnic, sporting events	- Access and parking poor - Both small sites - Third of site taken up by play areas - Weekend security



Mouldon Hill	• Ample car parking • Flat showground • Potentially partnership with Cricklade and Blunsdon Railway • Nature reserve adds value and interest	• Not Parish Council leased land – potential Borough fees. • Slightly out of parish, could become a Swindon wide event which doesn't target/benefit Haydon Wick Parishioners • Weekend security • Shuttle bus for elderly residents.
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The Christmas Carnival: Location rationale

Location	Pros	Cons
Rose Walk, Blunsdon Road	• Central to the Parish with good pedestrian access. Very little disruption to neighbouring property and traffic. • Will have a Village High Street feel. • Pedestrian areas with easy access for wheelchair/mobility scooter users • Dog friendly • Close to Parish Office • Use of GMF as quick lockable storage for set up /take down security • Green spaces for additional attractions • Good first-time location to build on for future years • Easy access from Orbital parking • Ideal light parade meeting point from pedestrian routes across the parish	• Outdoor event in Winter • No warm spaces
Haydon Centre / Car park	• Ideal space to the left of the Haydon Centre for Christmas Market stalls with access into the large hall for live music and entertainment • Much bigger event opportunity	• Groups already booked in the large hall on that date, and all Fridays, consider for next year?
Council Office	• Easy Set up • Toilets • Clear event ownership	• Car parking could interfere with Surgery opening times • Could be tight with potential large numbers