

## **Report to Parish Council – Easton May Fair ++ to be included in PCC report ++**

### **2025 – 2026**

2025 saw another successful village fair on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May which was very well attended. We managed to fit in 13 different stalls on the Green, along with areas for groups in the community including The Hamilton Bloodhounds, Easton Primary School and Easton Pre School.

We continue our link with local performing groups like the Rabble Chorus and Ipswich Community Wind Band. A heartfelt thanks must also go to Easton Farm Park for supporting our tradition of bringing the May Queen to the fair by decorated horse and cart or tractor.

We decided a couple of years ago to ensure that we support local charities directly as well as All Saints Church in the village, so a donation of £200 was made to the Dora Brown charity in Ipswich in 2025, which helps to transform homes for families in crisis.

Emma and Nancy are busy at present with planning and logistics for the 2026 May Fair which takes place on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May (mark your diaries!). With less than a month to go we have some new stalls and events for this year, and our charity this year is The Hour Community in Framlingham.

Just this year we are relying on 30 volunteers alone to run stalls for 2 hours at the Fair. This doesn't include those who do set up, take down, donate by baking, planting and gifting prizes for the stalls. We will be taking a break next year, so would love to hear from more volunteers willing to help on the day from the community in order to run the event in 2028.