

I am contacting you as your Group either took part in or expressed an interest in the Community Fair that was held at St Aidan's in March. The Fair seemed to be well received, and we are now starting to plan ahead for 2011. The date set for the Community Fair is **Saturday 26 March 2011**, so please put this in the Diary.

In order to start things moving, we are holding an **Open Meeting in St Aidan's Church at 7.30pm on TUESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER** for anyone whose Group might be interested in taking part. I have set out a few thoughts on what we can discuss below, but this list is not exhaustive, and more ideas will be most welcome. If you are not able to come along and wish to express some thoughts and ideas, please can you email them to me before the night so I can put them forward to the Group. Please don't be concerned if you are not sure at this time whether your Group will take part, there will be plenty of opportunity to confirm your position later.

IDEAS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Purpose – make an impact in the Community, publicise Groups/Activities, fundraise, make connections,
2. Opening Time – is 11.00am – 2.00pm OK or should it be longer/different?
3. Charity Support – should we do this again ? – this year, £350 was raised for Children's Hospice South West
4. If 'Yes' to 3, how do we do it – same as this year through Programmes and voluntary contributions? Which Charity to support?
5. Space, Facilities and Accommodation
6. Expanding the net to reach more Groups
7. Publicity for the Event
8. Refreshments
9. Forming a Steering Group to plan and implement the event

I look forward to hearing from you. Please give me a call (0117 9600213) if this would assist.

With best wishes

Jim Donaldson for St Aidan with St George