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To Whom it may concern,

I have known Sue O'Keeffe for many years, having worked alongside her at organising and running several large shows at her former employment with the Weald N Downland Museum at Singleton. Her attention to detail and planning are second to none as are her tireless efforts to ensure an event runs smoothly and safely - a better event's organiser you will struggle to find!

As a resident of Aldingbourne and chair of Governors at the local Aldingbourne Primary School I think Sue's efforts to bring the family festival to our area should be applauded and not only supported but encourage whole heartedly.

Back in 2017 I was part of the Micks March Team, a local event that involved raising funds and awareness for two local children's charities. I could not have completed the event or raised anywhere near the amount of funds had it not been for the backing of the local community, and our event was applauded at the time and still is for the way it brought the whole community together in a fun and relaxed way. Such events where people can come together are sadly very rare these days and I feel this event is just perfect to not only bring the community together but also showcase local talents and arts.

I'm sure many are put off by the thought of a festival on their doorstep and imagine a Glastonbury type of event complete with drug taking and loud music. I would only say you couldn't be further from the truth and would urge you to look at the event Sue is trying to organise, it's a family event, encouraging families to spend precious time together, learning various skills, chilling out and having fun, to potentially lose this fantastic opportunity to another area would be a crying shame, this would be a fantastic opportunity to really put a date in the diary for an annual event that shows Aldingbourne and the local area in high esteem and showcase its great family attributes, especially given the development we have been forced to take on, growing better Harmony and community spirit in my opinion is something we should all be striving towards.

Given Sues background at the Weald n Downland Museum and knowing the team she has working for her, I know that ensuring minimal impact on the environment will be top of her list, Sue is passionate about the countryside, its wildlife , and history, any concerns that this event will destroy the local countryside again are completely unfounded and I know she will ensure no damage is caused to any of the area where the event is proposed to be held.

I would urge you to please allow this event to happen, support it and Sue for her efforts to bring the community together and work with her to ensure the event is a success not only this year but every year.

Kind Regards

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