

Waterbeach Parish Council

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'Waterbeach Parish Council' FW: Easter Family Trail

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From: Marianne Petrou Sent: 08 March 2019 00:31

To: Waterbeach Parish Council < council@waterbeach.org.uk>

Subject: Re: Easter Family Trail

Hi Shelley,

Thank you for your reply.

Thank you for the information about crossing at The Old School Guest House; we totally take that on and we will find an alternative place to cross and definitely have a road crosser (all of which will definitely be in hi-vis for sure!) at the crossing - anywhere you think is better or do you think having the crossing manned is acceptable?

Many thanks, Marianne

On Thu, 7 Mar 2019 at 14:46, Waterbeach Parish Council < council@waterbeach.org.uk> wrote:

Hi Marianne

Thank you for this. The first thing that occurs to me is the bit about crossing the road from the Old School House. You mention a road crosser (I assume in hi vis clothing) elsewhere – you should be aware that Greenside and this section of the road is the cause of a great many concerns and incoming complaints because of the amount of cars and indeed we heard there was a car accident there on Tuesday (thankfully no-one injured). So this will also need to be taken into account in the risk assessment/mitigation steps.

Best regards

Shelley Mason

From: Marianne Petrou [mailto: Sent: 07 March 2019 12:06 To: council@waterbeach.org.uk Subject: Easter Family Trail

Dear Shelley Mason,

Following our conversation earlier, I'm writing to request permission from the Parish Council to run a wonderful Easter Family Trail. Our vision is for all the families of Waterbeach to come out together and begin a fun and interactive trail on Saturday 13th March. They will begin at the Waterbeach Baptist Church where they will register their family and receive their pack.

We would like to draw a wiggly path on the pavement with chalk for the children to follow and take them to the rec; they would then go to the basketball court and have a go at a "How many hoops can you score in a minute?' activity - this will be manned. We would like to attach some laminated pictures of Easter eggs to the play area where children will have to then search and find as many as they can whilst also being able to enjoy the play area itself. We were thinking to the take them to the next enclosed area with the wonderful pirate ship and road that has been marked out on the floor and providing scuttle bugs and tricycles/scooters for children to enjoy whilst finding all the animals in that area. We would then like to draw (again with chalk) arrows on the pavement directing them to exit the rec via the social club and provide a road crosser to help families then cross Cambridge Road - we would also talk to the social club and check they are ok with this. From there we will, again with markings on the pavement, direct families to the green and encourage families to cross at The Old School Guest House. On the green we would love to have various activities going on like "Welly Wanging" and a "Sack Race" and have a cross to represent the Easter story itself - this will be on a stand so we do not damage the ground/grass in any way. They will have a fun activity to do using that too. We will then draw footprints on the ground leading them in The Sun pub's direction and draw their attention to the Waterbeach sign and get the children to answer questions about the historical information on it. They will then cross and head towards the gault. Our absolute dream would be to be able to get into the old fire station building and make it look like the empty tomb by simply laying some cloths over the bench and playing some soft music with perhaps a coded message they have to work out. From there we will lead them back to the chapel where the will adults will receive a free hot cross bun and tea/coffee and children will receive a drink and an Easter egg. They would then get a token to receive a free bounce on a bouncy castle which, if permitted of course, we would love to have on the gault. We would also have a couple of fun activities like egg bowling and egg and spoon races on the gault too.

We would of course ensure that there are clearly labeled adults on hand at various points and we would carry out a risk assessment too. We would tell families to arrive between 10-12 to register and they can take as long as needed to carry out the trail.

We are really excited about this opportunity and love the thought of the community coming together to do something really fun and engaging with children of all ages! We think it would bring about such excitement and would be a memorable event as is the Feast Day.

As there is going to be a fair running the week before Easter, we would have to bring the date forward so would really appreciate if we could perhaps have an answer soon so that we can advertise and prepare; we didn't realise there was a meeting on Tuesday and are gutted we missed the opportunity to share this with you then!

Really look forward to hearing from you and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions.

Many thanks,

Marianne and Christiana

Children's leaders at the Waterbeach Baptist Church



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