Ingle Cottage
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Dear resident of Tresham,

I’m writing to you because I would like you to know about a music event that I am organising for this summer on the edge of your village.

Inglefest is a family based celebration of young up and coming musicians who write their own music and need a showcase for their talents.

In the last couple of years Inglefest has been hosted in my parents back garden and has established a following of family, friends, and friends of friends who appreciate live music and a welcoming environment. Unfortunately my parents garden has limitations, and we have moved the event to an area that is better able to cater for our guests.

Over the last few years we have been able to create an event that allows for my passion for live music and gives young people an opportunity to perform to music lovers in a safe, friendly setting. The people who come to the festival range from my grandmother and her friendship group to my sister’s athletics friends and their parents, the musicians and their friends as well as my wider social circle from university, school and work.

Last year we were able to support several local charities and community projects. My carpark stewards for example were school children raising money for their World Challenge trips. The year before we made donations to St Mary’s Church Hawkesbury.

The music festival will take place over 2 days, a Friday and Saturday, but I’m also hoping to include an educational opportunity for local school children on the Thursday evening. The event will be held on Burden Court Farm land to the east of the village near the A46 with the kind permission and support of the owners.

I appreciate that some music events are not welcomed by local communities and can raise understandable concerns. I’m hoping that this will be seen as a great opportunity to take part in a fantastic celebration of music and community. Therefore I have booked the local church for a drop-in session in a couple of weeks to offer an opportunity for you to engage with me and the festival. If you would like to find out more information about attending or taking part either in volunteering or performing, I would welcome you all to come along and have a chat with me. Equally if you do have any concerns, I’d be very happy to discuss with you, explain my plans and listen to your ideas. Inglefest is not a profit driven venture and relies on local support and volunteering to be successful.

It would be great if Inglefest were to be embraced by Tresham and I would be pleased to be able to contribute to your village project of raising funds for your church repairs. I also welcome any suggestions of local causes/charities we can help through fund raising and/or volunteering opportunities.

**Date for the event**: Friday 21st and Saturday 22nd June (Thursday 20th community arrangements)

**Date for drop in session**: Monday 11th March, 6-8pm, Tresham Church

If you have any advanced questions I can be contacted via email at: inglefestival@gmail.com

I hope to meet as many of you as possible at the meeting, and look forward to speaking with you.

Kind regards,

Will Robson