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Dear Resident

**Re: Bearded Theory Festival @ Catton Park**

I am writing to advise you that Bearded Theory Festival will take place at Catton Park between Thursday 25th and Sunday 28th May 2023. The site build will begin from 15<sup>th</sup> May, and we anticipate the site will be clear by 2nd June.

There will inevitably be some disruption to the road network over this period, but we are going to great lengths to limit the impact on local villages and their residents. It will be necessary for site infrastructure to be delivered during the days either side of the festival when the site is built. We are collaborating with suppliers to keep delivery vehicles away from residential areas as much as possible, although the weight restriction on Chetwynd Bridge (from the A513 Alrewas junction on the A38) and low bridges on other arterial routes means some vehicles over 13' 3" high will need to come into the site via Walton on Trent. HGVs using this route will be subject to time restrictions keeping movements between 9:30am-5pm.

Most customer traffic will travel to site on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May so the roads will be more congested than usual on this day and on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May when people leave. Marshals and temporary traffic lights will be in place to keep the traffic moving.

Bearded Theory is a family music event that has several music stages onsite showcasing international touring bands, recorded music and a large children's activity area containing various workshops. Performances on the main stages will begin at 6pm on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May and will finish by 11pm each day. Smaller stages operating within marquees will continue until 3am. On Sunday, all stages will cease operation at 11pm.

Changes in weather conditions can affect what noise can be heard in surrounding areas, so we are working closely with the District Council to ensure noise coming from the event always stays within legal limits. Acoustic noise propagation experts *dBx Acoustics* will monitor sound at the event and at various addresses located near to Catton Park. Sound levels will be dynamic based upon weather conditions and levels can be adjusted when necessary.

If you have any questions about the festival, please feel free to contact me in advance on the email shown below. If you have any concerns or spot any issues during our time at Catton Park, you can call the Event Control telephone number directly on 07394 622954, and we will attempt to address any problems immediately.

We would like to thank you for your continued support and hope that your experience of our event is a positive one.

Yours sincerely

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