



# VENTNOR DAY

**BUSINESS AND  
COMMUNITY COMMITTEE**

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## 1) BACKGROUND

- a) Ventnor Day had originally been arranged for Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2024. Due to Southern Water works, the date was moved to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August for reasons of health and safety.
- b) Tables and chairs are usually hired from the Isle of Wight Council. Due to the General Election, the Isle of Wight Council were unable to provide tables and chairs for the original date of Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July. Stall holders were asked to provide their own tables and chairs, and this remained the case when the date was moved to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August due to a lack of response from the Isle of Wight Council.
- c) Ventnor Day is currently held from 12 noon until 6pm. There appeared to be less visitors after 4.30pm.
- d) Ventnor Day was incorporated into Carnival Week this year.

## 2) CONCLUSION

- a) There was a cost and resource saving in asking stall holders to bring their own tables and chairs with staff and volunteers assisting stall holders with unloading and loading.
- b) A review of Ventnor Day is recommended to take into consideration dates, times, costs and other logistics.