



VENTNOR DAY/SUMMER FESTIVAL

**BUSINESS AND
COMMUNITY COMMITTEE**

PAPER A

24 SEPTEMBER 2024

1) BACKGROUND

- a) Ventnor Day has previously been held in several locations including Salisbury Gardens and Ventnor Park.
- b) At the Business and Community Committee held on 21 August 2024, there were suggestions that the season could be extended by holding Ventnor Day on a different day and there could be more involvement for businesses.

2) PROPOSAL

- a) A suggestion for 2025 is to hold a Summer Festival in place of Ventnor Day in the Town over two days on Sunday 25th May and Monday 26th May (Bank Holiday Monday).
- b) A suggestion is that venues and locations from the seafront and the Town could be approached for the event on Monday 26th May to host stalls that would usually be invited to Ventnor Park for Ventnor Day. There could also be street entertainers in various locations.
- c) The event on the Sunday could take the form of a Food Festival to highlight the culinary delights of Ventnor.

3) CONCLUSION

The Committee is invited to consider the proposals for a Summer Festival for 2025 in place of Ventnor Day.