

# Downs Committee –25<sup>th</sup> January 2021

## Events Update

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No events have taken place on the Downs since the last Committee meeting in November 2020.

### 2021 Events

The Events & Finance sub-group have agreed that the following events can take place on the Downs in 2021;

Funderworld	late March – mid April
Breaking Bread	late March – late September
Foodies Festival	May
Comedy Garden	June
Race for Life	June
March for Men	June
Pride	July
Adventure Cinema	August
Circus	late September/October
Student Union event	late September

At this stage it's not possible to say whether the Downs Festival will be able to go ahead because of potential Covid restrictions which make it very difficult to plan and deliver events of this type and size.

The programme for next year has been carefully planned to ensure that different sites on the Downs are utilised and that sufficient time is left between events to allow the site to be reinstated if necessary.

The sub-group are currently considering a proposal from Breaking Bread to arrange for some groundworks to the Water Tower site to be carried out in order to improve drainage. The works could potentially make the site easier to manage for events.

It should be noted that events will only go ahead if organisers can demonstrate to the Safety Advisory Group that their event complies with any Covid restrictions and guidelines that may be in place at the time.

