



ARCH Summer Fete 2024 – Press Release

A huge thank you to everyone who came and supported our community fete, and to all the helpers who generously gave up their time and worked very hard to make it a success. A total of over £850 was raised for ARCH that will go towards our future events and projects. It was first time a Fete had been held on the open space at the Neighbourhood Centre and it was a great success with approx. 750 residents attending with 30 stalls, many of them run by Canford Heath based organisations, providing a great opportunity to showcase the best of Canford Heath. The Fete was opened by the Mayor Cllr Pete Miles and his lady Mayoress who both took time to meet and greet all the stallholders and visitors and were given a gift of Canford Heath honey and flowers.

THANK YOU to all the stall holders, DJ Adrian Boyd, the Poole Lions/Saturday Friends help with the Jarbola which raised funds for ARCH, the TWG for overseeing the biscuit tombola which raised funds for ARCH, St Paul's Church for lending us tables, everyone who made and donated delicious cakes, the whole ARCH committee, Councillor Sandra Moore all the wonderful volunteers (you know who you are) who helped put up and take down gazebos and who helped to set up and run stalls for us - we honestly couldn't have done it without you!

THANK YOU also to all our wonderful Canford Heath traders who donated to the raffle including Asda Canford Heath, The Nest Cafe, Tranquil Moments, Kingfisher Fish and Chips, Joanne Hairdressers, The Hideout, Morrisons, The Hub on the Heath, Poole Speedway, Tesco Tower Park and Tesco Branksome, the Canford Heath Townswoman's Guild, The Pilot Knit and Natter group and for the many anonymous donations to our raffle and Biscuit Tombola.

and finally, a big **THANK YOU** goes to ARCH events organiser Julie Caines whose idea it was and who oversaw the whole event