

Steypning Walking Festival 2020 overview and funding request

- **Background:** the first Steypning Walking Festival is being organised for 2020 and aims to provide events for all from near and far. The date has been chosen to avoid other festivals and to coincide with the end of the annual South Downs Way walk.
- **Date:** 13-21 June to include 2 weekends.
- **Purpose is:**
 - To promote Steypning and tourism
 - To promote walking for all
 - The target participants will be locals and visitors. The aim will be to be inclusive and to provide walks for all age groups, those with some disability and dog walkers.
- **Format** at least 15 guided and a range of self-guided walks
- **Promoted** through Visitsteypning website, social media, the Rambler association, local sites and businesses and recreational magazines such as Taste and Your Steypning
- Walkers will be encouraged to make use of Steypning food, drink, accommodation providers
- Some walks need to be booked through the **Visitsteypning website**
- As a new festival, the organisers are keeping it simple to reduce costs, gain experience and to ensure quality of walks
- **Funding is** required to cover cost of small programme run (approx. £400), posters (£50), banners (approx. £100), walk insurance (£83) and sundries. Some money may be recovered by a small booking charge, but it is envisaged that this will be used to fund a festival in 2021.
- **A contribution from the Parish Council of £200 would be much appreciated.**

Walks on offer:

1. Buggy Walk
2. A Walk-through Railway history
3. A Healthy Walk
4. U3A special all day walk
5. Steypning Ramblers HF half day walk
6. A learn to Navigate walk plus course
7. Dog walks (2)
8. Ghost walk
9. Town Treasure Trail
10. Dayland farm experience
11. Glow worm walk
12. Janet Pennington new 'Plantation Walk'
13. Bramber heritage walk
14. A Scrumptious Saunter with afternoon tea.