

Dear community members

It is with a very sad heart that the Dormansland Carnival Committee have to announce the postponement of this year's event. The plan is to stay with the same Olde Thyme Dormansland theme next year so that no efforts made to date will be wasted. We feel it is wrong to ask for local businesses support when they need to focus all their energies into keeping their businesses afloat and their staff employed. We also don't want to put the local communities health at risk during these uncharted times. With the Government currently championing social distancing, which may yet progress to self-isolation with the prediction this could last up to 12 weeks - it would be irresponsible to continue planning this large-scale social gathering.

Fingers crossed in early July we will be on an upward path out of this pandemic, but we must be realistic and with costs starting to be incurred make this regrettable decision now.

Thank you all for your continued support and understanding. We will keep in touch through the local community magazines and our Facebook (plus other local group) pages. Add us to your 'Facebook Groups' now. If you do have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us at:

[info@dormanslandcarnivalcommittee.org](mailto:info@dormanslandcarnivalcommittee.org)

Stay well and stay safe.

Kind regards,

*Richard*

**Richard Kendall, Chair**

**On behalf of the Dormansland Carnival Committee**