## PLUMPTON VILLAGE SOCIETY

After weeks of glorious sunshine, it, of course, rained on Saturday 25th July, the day of the village market!! But the rain didn't deter the 25 stall holders, nor the 29 volunteers and 225 of the good people of Plumpton & East Chiltington who turned out in force.

Plumpton Village Society wanted to hold a Strawberry Fair in June, and obviously this was cancelled due to the lockdown, and it was decided to hold the market as an opportunity for the villagers to start meeting each other in a safe environment. Local business and crafters welcomed the chance to sell to their customers.





Ashurst Organics Market Stall and Plumpton Primary School Stall





Plenty of room to social distance with help from Social Distancing Champions, including Jane Hildyard

We think that, despite the weather, the event was a real success with a total of £462 raised for the Hospice through the Hospice Support Group tombola, a bucket collection, donations from the stall holders instead of a pitch fee and Zoe Awcock raised £95 for the Hospice by selling face coverings made by her Nan.



Hospice Support Group's Tombola Stall

Thank you to everybody for supporting the event. Especially the team of volunteers, and, those who got soaked when they helped with the tidying up afterwards deserve our special thanks.

These events cannot take place without the kind support of volunteers. If you think you can spare an hour of your time at future events, please contact Lee Stevens on 07887 562721 to be a Friend of Plumpton Village Society. There is no obligation and if you cannot help when asked, that's fine, hopefully we will have enough Friends to spread the effort amongst us.

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday 3rd October at the Apple Fair inside the Village Hall and outside on the Green, between noon and 4pm. Entry is free. Bring your facemasks for inside the Main Hall and plenty of cash/change. This will coincide with the annual Apple Pressing, with stalls from local clubs and societies, plus some market stalls and refreshments. Let us hope for better weather and that the Government COVID Guidelines will allow us to hold the event as we have planned it.