

To: Alderbury Parish Council

<u>RE: The hire of the Recreation Ground, Alderbury for Tequila Circus, a small touring circus tent show</u> <u>from Mexico.</u>

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Dear Alderbury Parish Council,

My name is Eleanor Morales Debney, tour manager for Tequila Circus and I am writing today to discuss the exciting prospect of bringing our show to you.

I believe that the Recreation Ground has been used in the past for events such as the Salisbury Community Circus and I was wondering of you would consider hosting an exciting circus show this year.

We are ideally looking for a week in September (10-17th) this year. However, I am aware that our dates are in the very near future and may not suit your time frames or current planned events. Therefore, I am happy to work with you as much as possible to book dates that fit your calendar.

Our circus is made up of artists from the UK and Mexico, sharing their beautiful and colourful heritage through circus acts and dance. This year's program includes high wire performances, comedy reprise, aerial silks, hoop, juggling and contortion to name a few. We originally opened for a UK tour in 2020, performing in the Peterborough and Leicester area before having to cut the tour short due to the pandemic. Since then, our artists have worked with other shows in the UK and Mexico and are excited to be reunited again to produce the concentrated Mexican spirit that is Tequila Circus. Please see our website <u>www.tequilacircus.com</u> for videos, photos and more details regarding our company's story and past performances.

I understand you may have some concerns regarding the field's condition, and as a result, we can offer to pay £80 per event day, £50 full non-event days, totalling to £500, plus a deposit in the form of a cheque for £300 which can be used to recover any damage that may occur to the ground. It is of course in everyone's interest that deposit shouldn't have to be used, so we always do our very best to leave a ground in an 'as was' condition. We are a small show, our circus tent is 18m in diameter and the largest transport vehicle we have is 7 and a half tonnes, so I can be confident that any change to the terrain would be at a minimum. We would also like to schedule a site visit with a member of your council to liaise exactly where the circus would be set up.

We are a conscientious company, making sure to pick up any rubbish daily and dispose of it with a local waste disposal company. Noise is kept to a minimum and our super silenced generator is turned off at 11.30pm to keep noise pollution at a minimum.

Posters and signals are put up with your permission, removed for the end of the event and we always work with the local community first, providing them with discounts and free tickets.



I would also like to take this opportunity to clarify that Tequila Circus is strictly an alcohol-free event. Refreshments inside the big top are popcorn, candyfloss and soft drinks. Smoking of any kind is also strictly prohibited and pyrotechnics are not used in the performance.

We are fully insured through Hiscox, First Act Employer's Liability insurance, policy number STM4/1720 with a minimum cover of no less than £5 million. In addition, all of our performers have individual public liability insurance through Equity Insurance for Actors and Performers.

We have a fully comprehensive H&S pack for the tour and always create a site specific risk assessment for each event.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you for taking the time to consider our application, we can't wait to share our show with you and look forward to hopefully sharing our journey with you in Alderbury.

Kindest regards,

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