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What is Middlewich *FAB* Festival?

Middlewich's flagship event attracts visitors from around the UK and is the most successful event of its kind in the North West

A Brief History

The festival started in 1990 when a small group of locals decided to organise a folk festival. Just by chance the Trent & Mersey Canal Society were looking to start a boat rally, and so the `folk & boat` festival was born.

Thanks to support by Congleton Borough Council and Middlewich Town Council, the festival was an immediate success.

The voluntary committee grew with the festival, each member with a specific role or responsibility. It grew slowly/organically, without becoming over commercialised, staying true to its community spirit of `keeping it in the town`. In 2011 Middlewich Town Council took on the organising of the festival and what we have today is a new format, with the aim of making it even more attractive (and affordable) to the community and to 1000s of visitors, many of who come back year after year.

Without doubt the festival now has huge financial benefits to the local economy. What we cannot begin to measure is the social benefit to our community and to visitors of all ages.

The *FAB* Festival is the envy of many local authorities and no wonder!

`after 28 years it continues to develop and grow, and long may that continue`

Dave Thompson, FAB Festival organiser

A weekend to remember

Yet again Middlewich *FAB* Festival welcomes 100s of *fabulous* artists in June, performing on the Main stage and at one of many FAB Fringe venues across the town, including the iconic Bull Ring Amphitheatre



The canals are lined with hundreds of narrow-boats, as well as trade boats that make up the spectacular “floating market”. Along the tow path festival goers browse an amazing range of arts and crafts, food and drink such as cheeses, fudge, sweets, coffee and homebrew, plus original artwork and antiques

2018 promises to repeat the success of 2017 with more variety than ever Music-Dance-Comedy- whatever it takes to make you smile!

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