

Local Excellence Market - best ever



Best ever Local Excellence Market? - Last Saturday's market was probably the best to date with literally crowds of people across the lunchtime period all enjoying the sunshine (in fits and starts) and enjoying the stalls and atmosphere even more. Against a UK summer scene that has been beset by cancellations and rain-soaked events, the Choose Abingdon Partnership somehow maintained its charmed existence. Not only was there sun by lunchtime but the forecast rain at setting up time was merely a short patch of drizzle which soon passed over. A few exciting gusts of wind resulted in some breakages for some of our stallholders but they were still smiling at the end. Management had a long day as it was agreed that we needed to be there at 6am to get our own gazebos set up before the traders arrived but the effort was worth it as, despite a packed market place full of different stalls, we managed to get all vehicles on and off the market place without any significant holdups or dramas!

Compliments all round from traders and shoppers, and we are especially happy that town centre retailers like Fabulous Flowers are taking part and we are helping new start up businesses like Not Too Shabby to find customers. It's what the project was all about in the first place.

