

Social Impacts of Festivals and Events – Adapted from Delamere et al 2001.

Benefits

- Celebration of events / festivals in area.
- Enhanced Identity / Image / Cohesion....
- Improved mental and physical wellbeing.
- Boosted Community Pride
- Shared ideas on events / festival development
- New activities brought into the area from events / festivals
- Events / festivals showcase the local area and local traditions / cultures – boosting tourism
- Strengthens local / visitor friendships
- Achieves long lasting positives legacies from events.

Costs

- Increase in crime / vandalism / violence....
- Increase in traffic / pedestrians....
- Overcrowding
- Littering / pollution
- Environmental damage – wildlife affected
- Reduced local privacy
- Noise pollution
- Anti social behaviour present – drinking / drugs culture - eg; music festivals.
- Overuse of community facilities - - facilities taken advantage of – mistreated....
- Disagreements between locals and festival attendees – (Doxey's / Mulligan's Iridex).
- Festival attendees' needs considered more important