



Monday, 30th November 2020

**Press Release from the Directors of the
Chippenham Folk Festival CIC.**

The board of directors of Chippenham Folk Festival CIC and their members at an AGM have reluctantly decided that it is unlikely that they will be able to run the usual type of Chippenham Folk Festival in 2021. Several of the activities involve close contact and physical exertion and the directors feel that COVID-19 restrictions on such activities are likely to still be in place next May or any easing will not allow enough time to put on the quality of festival attendees expect.

All ticket holders who have valid tickets for the postponed 2020 festival will be refunded in full and are being contacted.

The directors and staff are committed to returning to the normal style of festival in 2022, over the last weekend in May, not the changed Jubilee holiday in June, and are currently looking at the feasibility of putting on a smaller, covid-safe event in 2021 over the Spring Bank Holiday weekend.

The directors would like to thank ticket holders, artists and staff for their support to date and look forward to seeing them again in the future.

The Festival Team