



# LONG EATON COMMUNITY CARNIVAL ASSOCIATION

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## **Long Eaton Carnival and Show, Saturday 22nd June 2019**

I do hope you will be able to participate in this year's event and would be delighted if you decide to put an entry into the road parade.

As ever we welcome everyone in the community to join in the fun and spectacle of taking part in the parade in whatever guise – floats, walking parties, classic or unusual vehicles. Whilst many people will want to enter a float, if you are struggling to find a suitable vehicle, please consider entering as a walking party which can be equally creative with costumes and choreography and help to create a fantastic atmosphere by interacting with onlookers.

Once again we have taken to social media to decide the theme for this year's carnival. Following some fantastic suggestions and high volumes of votes, carnival followers have elected the theme as **Comics and Cartoons** and we're really excited to see what this means to your organisation and how you will interpret the theme .

The application form and further information can be found below, please take time to review these even if you are a regular participant in the carnival parade. Completed entry forms should be sent to me at the above address. The closing date for receipt of applications is **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019**.

There will be a safety briefing for representatives of all Road Parade entries at 7:30pm on **Thursday 13th June 2019**, at Trinity Church, Cross Street, Long Eaton NG10 1HD. **It is mandatory condition of entry into the parade that your organisation sends a representative to this meeting.**

Should you have any queries I can be contacted on 07890 110 694. For further carnival details please see [longeatoncarnival.org.uk](http://longeatoncarnival.org.uk).

Kind Regards,  
Jean Greenland

## ROAD PARADE APPLICATION FORM

### About Your Business/Organisation

Name of your business / organisation		
Are you (please tick one box):	a business <input type="checkbox"/>	Registration no:
	charity / not for profit <input type="checkbox"/>	
Business/organisation website address		

### About You

Your name:		
Your address:		
Your postcode:		
Your telephone number:	Landline:	
	Mobile:	
E-mail address:		
Position within business/organization:		

### Type of entry

(please tick)

<b>A float</b> (typically a lorry, drawn trailer or similar vehicle where participants will ride in an area usually reserved for cargo or in areas without seating fitted as part of the original design)	
<b>A float with walkers following</b> (as above but with the addition of a party of walkers following the float and forming part of the same entry)	
<b>A walking party</b> (a group of people who will be walking for the entirety of the parade and none of the participants will be propelled by mechanical means except in the case of any support or mobility vehicle)	
<b>Other vehicle(s)</b> (vintage or unusual cars, bicycles, horse drawn carriages tractors etc., where participants will be propelled by mechanical means using seating included as part of the original design of the vehicle)	

### Entry fees (for commercial organisations not dressing vehicles according to the theme)

I enclose a cheque payment for £.....made payable to <b>Long Eaton Carnival Committee</b> for the entry of .....[number] of vehicles. [Other payment methods are available]
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### Expected number of participants

Adults:	Children:
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### Vehicles forming part of your entry

Type and number of vehicle(s)	
Name and address of registered keeper of vehicle(s)	

### Live or amplified music

Please let us know about any live or amplified music you intend to use as part of your entry

### Other Information

Please let us know about anything else which may be useful or any special requirements you may have

### Declaration

I have read the "Information to Participants" and the "Safety Requirements and Legislation" attached and agree to comply with the conditions set out therein. I also confirm that a copy of insurance cover will be provided prior to the event if not enclosed with this entry form.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Signatory's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)

(Signatory must be over 18 years of age) Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS**

### **Parade Safety Briefing Meeting**

It is a mandatory condition of entry that each entrant sends a minimum of one competent representative to the Parade Safety Briefing meeting at **7:30pm on Thursday 13th June 2019** at Trinity Church, Cross Street, Long Eaton NG10 1HD. The meeting is expected to last for around an hour and there will be the opportunity for you to ask the LECCA team any questions you have. Failure to attend or send a representative may result in your admittance into the parade being denied.

### **Assembly point and Parade Route:**

The assembly point for all floats, walking parties, vehicles and participants is West Park, Wilsthorpe Road, Long Eaton NG10 4AA. All entries should be in place and registered by 10:00am to allow time for judging and the formation of the parade before it leaves West Park at 11am sharp.

On leaving West Park the parade will turn left down Wilsthorpe Road and then turn left into Tamworth Road at the railway station island. After passing through the Market Place, the parade will turn left up Derby Road, left into Wilsthorpe Road and re-enter West Park at around 1pm.

Before the disbandment of the parade, it will process through the Main Arena on the Showground.

### **Fund Raising**

Fund raising is vital so that we can continue to make the Carnival free for everyone to enjoy.

LECCA will have a Street Collection License for the length and duration of the parade on Carnival Day and no entrant will be permitted to make a collection on parade other than on behalf of LECCA.

Entrants are requested to provide a minimum of two persons aged 16 or over to collect on behalf of LECCA. Collection equipment and permits will be issued on the day.

### **Parade Theme and Competition**

The theme for the Road Parade Competition is **Comics and Cartoons**. Entry to the parade is free provided your float or walking party is dressed according to this theme. Alternatively, not for profit groups can dress their entry to promote a specific event in their calendar (a play or a show, for example) or the general activities of the organisation.

**For commercial organisations not dressed to the Parade theme, there is a fee of £35 per vehicle.**

There will be four awards made: (

1) Best Children's Float; (2) Best Adult Float; (3) Best Walking Party; (4) Best On Parade.

Awards (1) and (2) will be judged on West Park prior to the start of the parade, awards (3) and (4) will be judged en route at an undisclosed location.

Winners of awards (1) and (2) will be notified before the parade starts, winners of awards (3) and (4) will be informed on their return to West Park.

Representatives of winning entries are invited to attend the Prize giving ceremony the Main Arena shortly after the Opening Ceremony and speeches.

## **Safety Requirements and Guidance**

### **Legislation and Safety Requirements**

1. The vehicles and any trailers forming part of a float must comply with the Road Traffic Act 1984 and the Highway Code.
2. A certificate of insurance and suitable indemnity must be in force covering the use of the vehicle and float in the road parade, those on the float and activities taking place on the float.
3. All organisations and groups entering a float must undertake a risk assessment to ensure the activity, the structure and procedures being used to build, the materials, the parade activities and controls are compliant with legislation, and risks are reduced to an acceptable level. – see Health and Safety Executive websites at <http://www.hse.gov.uk/> and <http://www.hse.gov.uk/entertainment/index.htm>.
4. An appropriate fire extinguisher must be available for floats where generators are being used and all electrical equipment being used should be Portable Appliance Tested and certified before use.
5. Any structures or decorations being used on floats must be of suitable strength and stability and secured to the vehicle being used to enable participants to hold onto them. Adverse weather conditions must not be able to damage them to such an extent as to render them dangerous or cause them to fall off the float onto participants or members of the public.
6. It is illegal and dangerous for persons to stand on a trailer/float when it is travelling at more than walking pace. Consequently people are allowed to be carried on the float only when the float is in the parade travelling at no more than walking pace.
7. Please be warned that the LECCA may be using various forms of multi-media to record all the day's activities and events, and will be using them for publicity in the future.

### **Floats**

8. To ensure a float is safe at all times a float must appoint a chief steward who will be responsible for the safety and control of activities for the duration of the road parade.
9. It is also a requirement that at least four stewards (one to walk at each corner) act as safety spotters in addition to an observer walking alongside or in the vehicle to communicate with the driver. (See the diagram below).
10. As identified above, the construction of a float must take into account the fact that a trailer is considered in legislation as a platform at height, and measures must be taken to prevent people from falling off. Hand-holds, strapping and other restraint methods must be used to prevent persons, especially children, from falling off the float.
11. Young people are not allowed to stand or walk about on a moving float, and it is recommended that they do not dangle their legs over an edge.
12. Adult helpers must be predominant and be aware of health and safety requirements when groups of children are under their supervision.
13. People will not be allowed to get off a float while it is in motion. If persons need to get off the stewards must ask the driver to stop until the persons are off and clear of the vehicle. No persons are allowed to run to and fro among the oncoming traffic as this will cause an accident.
14. The throwing of items of any kind from a float into the crowd is strictly forbidden and those doing so will be removed from the parade. No-one on a float is to allow or encourage the general public to throw any item onto or at the float.
15. Decorating materials used on floats must not be left on any area in West Park or neighbourhood.

## **Walking Participants**

16. Where the make-up of walking parties is predominately young people a chief steward must be in place to ensure its activities are controlled. It is advisable for walking parties to provide, on the traffic side, a cordon of rope or similar to be carried by stewards to stop anyone running or stepping into on-coming traffic. (See the diagram below).
17. Walking parties must ensure that their activities do not slow down the parade and cause unnecessary delays and congestion.
18. Walking parties must take into account the length of the parade and the activities, age and ability of those in their party.
19. Those organising walking parties must comply with LECCA Guidelines on how to control and manage walking parties. See attached guidelines

## **Adverse Weather Conditions**

20. The Road Parade is planned to go ahead if it rains, unless the rain is extremely heavy. In the case of extreme weather conditions, the LECCA will endeavour to contact all parties and inform them if there is a cancellation.
21. Those organising a float or walking party will have to consider whether the activity, structures and decorations will remain safe during the duration of the road parade in adverse weather conditions, and if the decision is to cancel should contact the road parade manager as soon as possible.
22. If the weather conditions have rendered the park ground conditions unsuitable for vehicular traffic then the floats will be directed down Thoresby Road and Hawthorne Avenue to disembark. Floats will not be allowed to remove decorations at these locations.

## **Stewarding**

23. Each entrant must provide sufficient number of stewards to ensure that their entry and participants are controlled in a safe manner.
24. LECCA recommends that entrants appoint a chief steward who is in overall control of the entry and to whom other stewards report to.
25. Stewards must be clearly identifiable. If using hi-visibility clothing this must be predominantly yellow in colour.
26. LECCA will provide stewards to control the overall movement of the parade along the parade route and to communicate any instructions to the entrant's chief steward.
27. Due to the stop-start nature of the parade, we recommend that each entrant establishes an agreed procedure to communicate between the vehicle driver and the participants to ensure that those travelling on vehicles are aware and prepared for the vehicle stopping and starting.
28. Some further duties of stewards are shown in the attached infographic.

**This list is not exhaustive, your own plans and risk assessments present an opportunity for you to establish other controls to ensure a safe and enjoyable parade for participants and the public alike.**

# Float and Walking Party Stewards

- Stewarding for Floats and Walking Parties
  - Chief Steward
    - Is responsible for the group entered.
    - To control the activities of the Float and any persons associated to the float, parents, etc..
    - Must ensure the Float complies with the LECCA Rules and Guidance, and any other Health and Safety and Child Safety Regulations
  - Other Stewards
    - To assist the Chief Steward to maintain the discipline and where necessary stop improper behaviour or any rule breaking.
    - Ensure persons do not cross the road
    - Climb off Floats while in motion

