

Item 6b-Handmade Parade Grant Application update

Email for handmade parade – 21st October 2021

“I'm delighted to say that our application for funding to Arts Council England was successful and that this will allow us to run Lamplighter in Todmorden.

As you know, we would normally run the event in November however we believe that the short timescale and staff availability would adversely affect the quality of the overall event. We undertook site visits with CMBC officials this week and have agreed that the Lamplighter event will be held in Centre Vale Park on Saturday 12 February 2022. In order to manage health & safety and covid concerns, there will not be a formal parade – a range of illuminated puppets, lanterns, musicians and performers will be relatively static to allow audiences members to move around the spectacle. If necessary, timed tickets will be used to manage crowd safety in the park.

As discussed, there will be a range of outreach and participatory activities for children and families in Todmorden and the funding awarded by TTC will be used to supplement these. We will update you with the dates of these activities once our timetable and venues are confirmed.”