

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2016  
Press Release from Sherborne Douzelage

begins:

“Sherborne Douzelage plans major Music and Dance Festival

To mark the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the Douzelage International movement Sherborne Douzelage is organising an International Festival of Folk Music and Dance which will take place in Sherborne on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> August. There will be visiting troupes from Czech Republic, Latvia & Ireland as well as local groups such as the Wessex Morris, Treacle Eater Clog, No Mean Feet & the Yetminster Irish Dancers to guarantee a feast of music and colour.

On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August the entertainment will be taken to villages around Sherborne during the day followed by evening performances in certain pubs in Sherborne.

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> will see a full day of entertainment in Sherborne commencing with street dancing and music in the morning followed by open air performances in Pageant Gardens until 5pm in the afternoon. The day will end with a musical extravaganza Gala Concert in the Digby Hall commencing at 7:30pm. Tickets will be available from Sherborne TIC.

A preliminary programme is set out below but as plans are finalised full details will be found on the Sherborne Douzelage website : [www.sherborne-douzelage.org.co.uk/what's on](http://www.sherborne-douzelage.org.co.uk/what's on)

<b>Date/ time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Where?</b>
<b>Friday 19</b>		
09:00-10:30	Children’s Dance Classes – open to all	Digby Hall, Hound Street, Sherborne
09:00-10:30	Folk Traditions presentations & workshop	Digby Hall, Hound Street. Sherborne
11:00-16:00	Public performances in local villages	Leigh, Yetminster, Bradford Abbas etc.
19:00 -22:00	Public performances and open mike sessions	Crown Inn and White Hart Pub, Sherborne
all day	Douzelage Exhibition	Sherborne Museum
all day	Children's competition	local shops
<b>Saturday 20</b>		
09:00-10:30	Adult Dance Classes – open to all	Digby Hall, Hound Street, Sherborne
09:00-10:30	International dance presentations & workshop	Digby Hall, Hound Street, Sherborne
11:00-13:00	Simultaneous performances of music & dance	Open air in Cheap Street & Abbey Green
13:00 – 17:00	Fete and performances of Music and dance. Inc bar & refreshments	Pageant Gardens, Digby Road, Sherborne FREE ENTRY
19:30–23:00	Gala concert of all performers, plus bar. Tickets from TIC or call 01963 251255	Digby Hall, Hound Street, Sherborne
all day	Douzelage Exhibition	Sherborne Museum
all day	Children's competition	local shops

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