

Pop-up village is a safe haven for festival goers

Visitors to this year's Family Fun Day at Dalkeith Country Park are being invited to look out for the free giveaways, fun activities and advice on offer at the event's special **Community Safety Village**.

Organised by Midlothian Council to mark the end of the Midfest arts festival, the free-to-enter

Fun Day will be held on Sunday September 13 from 11.30am until 7pm and includes music, family entertainment, food and drink and fairground rides. Among the many attractions, the Community Safety Village aims to get across key messages in a fun way.

It includes a range of stalls, exhibition stands and information on

- crime prevention,
- home safety,
- child safety,
- road safety,
- drug and alcohol advice,
- responsible dog ownership,
- railway safety,
- bike security,
- ageing well,
- the zero tolerance campaign,
- neighbour mediation
- baby and toddler First Aid
- Positive parenting.



Special attractions include a fire engine and rescue display, a police car and quad bike, a seatbelt crash simulator, and a cycle course. You'll have the chance to pick up a range of free items including anti-theft, crime prevention and cycle safety freebies, badges and colouring-in sheets, as well as information and advice leaflets on a range of issues. There will also be a nursery play area, storytelling, the chance to make your own drink on a smoothie cycle, and the opportunity to unwind with a free 15 minute back massage!

Quiz with **IKEA** donated safety goods is part of the attractions.

Agencies and groups involved on the day include the Midlothian Community Safety Partnership, Police Scotland, the British Transport Police, the Fire and Rescue Service, Midlothian Council's Environmental Health and Trading Standards services, the Midlothian Community Safety, Road Safety and Criminal Justice teams, Victim Support, Midsafe, Women's Aid, Mid and East Lothian Drugs (MELD), the Local Licensing Forum, Lifelong Learning, Midlothian Libraries, Sport and Leisure services, Sure Start and Parent Family Support.

Entry to Dalkeith Country Park is free on the day but booking is advisable. To find out more about the Midfest Family Fun Day and to book your tickets, visit www.midlothian.gov.uk/midfest

