

# **Brunton date after new album release for folk legend McTell**

**Ralph McTell comes to The Brunton on Friday, October 11 (7.30pm) during a nationwide tour and only weeks after releasing his latest album.**

Hill of Beans is the first album of originals from the 74-year-old since 2010 when Somewhere Down The Road was released.

This new album reunites McTell with producer Tony Visconti who was there at the start of his recording career.

A chance meeting on London's Marlebone Road brought them together again and Visconti's production has allowed McTell to record songs gathered from the past ten years but including one written in 1978 and another in 1988.

It is 50 years since the release of famous song Streets of London and McTell, a multi-award winner, said: "I've got bits of ideas jotted down on computers here and there.

"I'm self-motivated and that sometimes means there is a five or six year gap between albums because I'm not happy with what I've got."

He added: "Tony is a wonderful producer. He treats all his artists with the same consideration, courtesy and respect. In some cases he has to nurse you, other times he has to be firm with you.

"He may push an idea in a direction you're not sure about, but he's got this lovely mixture of authority, pure class, a

fantastic track record and an empathy with all the people he works with.”