

GRIMSTON PARISH COUNCIL
Platinum Jubilee Celebration Committee
Monday 21 June 2021 at Grimston Village Hall

Present: Cllrs K Israel, P Coleman, S Coleman, S Frazer, M Boldero, Clerk and 4 Members of the public

Apologies: None

1. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

- **Resolved to appoint Cllr Israel Chairman of the Committee**

2. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

The Committee agreed that for the moment it should meet once a month. It was noted that Monday evenings were when the hall was mostly free.

3. DISCUSSION OF IDEAS AND REVIEW OF NATIONAL EVENTS

The National programme announced so far:

Thursday 2nd June

The Queen's Birthday Parade (Trooping the Colour): Over 1,400 parading soldiers, 200 horses and 400 musicians will come together in the traditional Parade to mark The Queen's official birthday, usually held on the second Saturday in June.

Platinum Jubilee Beacons: The United Kingdom's long tradition of celebrating Royal Jubilees, Weddings and Coronations with the lighting of beacons will be continued to mark the Platinum Jubilee. Beacons will be lit throughout the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, Isle of Man and UK Overseas Territories.

Friday 3rd June

Service of Thanksgiving: A Service of Thanksgiving for The Queen's reign will be held at St Paul's Cathedral. Further events will be announced in due course.

Saturday 4th June

The Derby at Epsom Downs: Her Majesty The Queen, accompanied by Members of the Royal Family, will attend the Derby at Epsom Downs.

Platinum Party at the Palace: The BBC will stage and broadcast a special live concert from Buckingham Palace.

Sunday 5th June

The Big Jubilee Lunch: In 2022 The Big Lunch will bring the Jubilee celebrations into the heart of every community. People are invited to share friendship, food and fun with neighbours as part of the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. A Big Jubilee Lunch can be big or small - street party or picnic, tea and cake or a garden barbeque. The Big Lunch provides tips and ideas for hosting an event.

The Platinum Jubilee Pageant: A pageant featuring over 5,000 people from across the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth will take place against the backdrop of Buckingham Palace and the surrounding streets.

There was also a national scheme with the Woodland Trust to plant woodland – the Queen’s Canopy

The following ideas were put forward:

Queen’s Canopy: Cllr S Coleman suggested planting a woodland over winter 2021/2022. To work with GFAT and involve Holly Meadows School. Trees could be provided free from the Woodland Trust.

Open Gardens: Cllr Fraser suggested holding an open gardens event.

Parish Picnic: Free event for the community to come along and bring a picnic. Live music would be laid on, refreshments could be provided. The preferred location was Hudson Fen. Committee noted that booking bands and toilet facilities may have to be done quickly to ensure availability.

Exhibition/Talk: To ask Mr and Mrs Hall to help coordinate an exhibition on seven decades of Local History 1952-2022. It was also suggested that they could do a talk and/ or invite someone who had worked on the Sandringham Estate. Venue would either be the Village Hall or Church.

Beacon Lighting: Cllr P Coleman suggested joining with the national Beacon Lighting event(2 June). <https://bullfinch-gas.co.uk/beacons-and-eventtorches/manufacture/?categorylayout>. <https://21ccgroup.com/beacons/>

Flagpole: Cllr S Coleman suggested as a lasting legacy, the installation of a Parish Flagpole paid for by public subscription/donations. Planning permission would be required. The Clerk explained the Flagpole the type of flagpole and base installed at Heacham.

Children: The Committee considered the presentation of a Jubilee related souvenir and/or provide Red, White and Blue Wildflower seeds. The Committee would need to liaise with the School and PTA (Half Term 30May- 3 June 2022)

Clerk was asked to advise Congham and Roydon Parish Councils that Jubilee events were being planned to ensure no event clashes.

The Clerk said that once the Committee had had time to consider the ideas put forward it could start looking at costs. The Clerk expected that there would be some grant funding opportunities opening up, and the shortfall could be added to the 2022/23 precept. Sponsorship of events/activities would be helpful but that might not come until nearer the time.

5. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Monday 26 July 2021 at 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

Chairman.....

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