

Clerk Report – Beacon of Light D-Day 80 6th June 2024 February 2024

Council Actions Required

- That council determine whether they wish to participate
 Dependant on the outcome above
- That council determine how and when they participate
- That council authorise the expenditure to purchase the beacon (£55.00)

Background

TOWN, PARISH & COMMUNITY COUNCILS - D-DAY 80 - 6TH JUNE 2024

We have received the following notification from the official pageant master's office

As you are aware, we are organising D-Day 80 - 6th June 2024, , throughout the UK, Channel Islands, Isle of Man and UK Overseas Territories in Commemoration/Celebration of the 80th Anniversary of the D-Day landings on the five Beaches in Normandy, France, which took place on 6th June 1944, enabling your Council and local community to use this occasion to pay 'tribute' to the many, many thousands that sacrificed so much in helping to secure the freedom we all enjoy today. With this in mind, we have developed several ways in which your Council and community can take part in this special occasion.

NMPC originally agreed to signpost residents to local events commemorating D-Day 80 rather than host an event themselves.

New information has been circulated therefore the clerk has been asked to bring this information back to the council for further determination.

LAMP LIGHT OF PEACE:

We understand that there are areas of our local communities unable to light Beacons for various reasons, so we have developed the Lamp Light of Peace providing a simple and cost effective way of becoming and being part of this event by lighting it at 9.15pm on 6th June 2024, coinciding with the lighting of the Beacons that night, and once used for this occasion, they can be re-lit at 11am on 11th November in 'Remembrance' for many years to come. (The flame in the Lamp, along with the Beacons, will represent the 'light of peace' that emerged from the dreadful darkness of War). We believe these are suitable for Care Homes,

Hospitals, and Pubs etc, and have already had several taking part. (See examples on the D-Day 80 website). (www.d-day80beacons.co.uk)

The cost of the lamp is £55.00 including posting and packaging within the United Kingdom, Channel Islands and the Isle of Man. The final date for ordering a lamp is 23rd May 2024. Purchase is for pre-order only, items will be delivered prior to the event.



"The colour red has been chosen as it represents the ultimate sacrifice undertaken on the Beaches of Normandy and throughout WWII as a whole, so could be lit again at 11am on every Remembrance Sunday thereafter."