

Members are requested to:

- NOTE this report
- CONSIDER whether to hold an event and have memorabilia (for 29 March approval)
- CONSIDER forming a Coronation Working Group

Background

The King's Coronation Weekend is 6 – 8th May 2023

- King Charles III's Coronation takes place on Saturday 6 May 2023 at Westminster Abbey Camilla, The Queen Consort will be crowned at the same time
- Additional bank holiday on Monday 8 May 2023
- Sunday 7th May; Coronation Big Lunch - neighbours and communities are invited to share food and fun together. Free downloadable resources available from www.coronationbiglunch.com
- Monday 8 May 2023; The Big Help Out - encourage people to try volunteering and join the work being undertaken to support their local areas: [The Big Help Out](http://TheBigHelpOut)
- Latest update: <https://coronation.gov.uk>

Known Local Events

- The Cake Break team will be hosting an afternoon tea on the Bank Holiday Monday afternoon.

Memorabilia Links

www.insigniapromotions.online-catalogue.net/search/coronation

www.dashuk.co.uk/coronation

www.school-bears.co.uk/product-category/king-charles-coronation/

Beacon Lighting

BUCKINGHAM PALACE has stated that beacons will not be lit to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III, but Sunday 7th May 2023 will see a special event dubbed 'lighting up the nation', where landmarks across the UK will be lit up using illuminations, drone displays, lasers and projections.

THE PAGEANTMASTER has made it very clear that Buckingham Palace does NOT want beacons lit for the Coronation for the reason outlined below stating that "*a great deal of thought has gone into this decision before it was made, a decision which is expected to be respected*". This leaves no doubt at all about the official position. "*We have received so many calls and emails from previous participants, asking if Beacons are being planned to be lit in celebration of the forthcoming Coronation of King Charles III, in June next year. The answer from Buckingham Palace is NO, the reason being, they are conscious that the Coronation will take place less than a year after The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons were lit, and are therefore anxious to ensure that the events planned for May 2023 have a markedly different look to those of June 2022*"

Clerks Comments

For previous Coronations (dating back over a century) mugs/cup and saucers, have been given to the children of the parish. With the launch of the official Coronation logo this week, the designs on the links have been updated.

If Members decided to arrange an event, the inflatables are currently available for all three days at a cost of £920.00.

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