

Members are requested to NOTE this report and CONSIDER the recommendations:

Background

A Working Party (Cllrs Allsop, Hacker, Selwood and Sharp) was set up to discuss the celebrations following the report to Councillors at the February meeting.

The Working Party met and is proposing that we have an event at JCH on Friday 3rd June. Further work will need to be done on the final format. The Church and primary school have been contacted so far by Cllr Hacker, and Cllr Sharp has contacted some of the users of the Parish Hall. The idea of a village fete was discussed but agreed that this would realistically require help from outside of the Council. It was suggested that we put an article/advert in the next copy of the Parish Magazine to let everyone in the Parish know about the event, invite suggestions for the format and offers of help.

Cllr Hacker has investigated the costs of hiring and purchasing of a marquee in case of bad weather. To hire would cost somewhere between £1,800 and £2,500 whereas to purchase would cost somewhere in the region of £1,300-£1,600.

It was also agreed that the working group would recommend purchase of a beacon and commemorative coins.

Beacon

There is a choice of 2 beacons, the Working Party recommend type 1 and a quote has been obtained for this one. Please see Clerks Update below:

Coins

There is more choice for coins. A sample coin will be available at the Council meeting (or beforehand if required) The Working Party recommend the two colour (polished nickel with purple enamel in a kraft paper envelope), the cost of which is shown below. Originally it was proposed that we purchase 1,000 and give one to each household and then sell the remaining coins if parishioners want extra copies. We have since discovered that we are not legally able to sell any extra coins. The Council will need to agree what to do with any extras.

It is felt that if Councillors are in agreement with purchases, these should be organised as soon as possible as there will be many organisations doing the same thing.

Funding

- Advertisement in Parish Magazine and set of flyers (similar to Meet the Councillors). Design work and purchase of 1,000 leaflets - **£150.00**
- Purchase of beacon with a painted finish with attached pole mount (brazier style). The pole would be around 2.9m long including the section that would go in the ground but it can be made longer or shorter to suit. - **£1,025.00 plus VAT**
- Purchase of coins, one per household - **£960.00 plus VAT**
- Purchase of marquee – **up to £1,800.00 plus VAT**

Total Budget Allocation is **£4,500.00** - Proposed Spend to date = **£3925.00**

If members opt for the other beacon design the proposed spend to date = £3510.00

Clerks Update

There are two other beacon options, for Members to consider (as attached).

Both designs cost £490.00 (this includes carriage, ex. VAT). Propane gas cylinders are required, (cost dependant on anticipated burning time requirement) approx £120 = **£610.00**