

# D-Day 80 Working Group Report

## May review

BPC have asked a small team to investigate what could be done to remember the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of D Day on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024. **Actions that need FC approval at the end**

Government guidelines are very “thin” and mainly focus on Beacon Lighting and “Britishness” by using the British tradition of Fish and Chips.

Following much discussion, the following programme was devised (these are planning notes):

- The Beacon would be lit, as per government guidelines at 21:15 – we would investigate using a village veteran to perform this action – *Bufs are presenting a Standard bearers and we have a Royal Marine Reserve who was also the ex-headmaster of Borden School to light the Beacon. We also have a Bugle Player, used at the Jubilee, to perform the Last Post and Reveille*
- There is a Proclamation to be read. *The Honourable Robert Hardy has agreed to do this.*
- We would ask Father Jane to give a prayer at the site of the beacon. – *The event is in church Diary.*
- Thanksgiving service in the early evening. *Father Jane has the event in church Diary.*
- A Fish and Chip Van has been booked to be on site throughout the event from 1930 to 2200 – *Confirmed by British Fish and Chips, and all booked from 1930 through to 2200. Location on the Playstool by Memorial Gardens. Power socket required to run fridges, Dan to provide, 1930 to 2000 to prepare frying time.*
- Dan to provide background 40’s music and a PA – *Confirmed he is available on the 6<sup>th</sup> June and booked.*
- The Maypole Minstrels have been asked to perform for 30 minutes with period songs – *Confirmed they will attend.*
- A welcome and why tonight would be given by Clive. – *Clive with Father Jane to arrange for Junior members of the community to read extracts from Solders Experiences.*
- The event would be registered with SWALE through TENS -*Brian / Clerk done and approved*
- Banner in the church entrance advertising the event facing the triangle. – *Given to Church Warden for putting up in the Church Yard*
- Advertise in the Broadside – *Advertised in the last 2 additions of Broadside*
- Beacon Fuel – *Arranged Clive and Brian to collect the week of the event*
- Notify Maypole – *Done*
- Safety tape – *We have tape from Coronation.*
- National Ring out the Bells – *Borden Belltower Captain Informed and agreed.*
- Flyer for School the week before the event - *Brian to arrange.*
- Advertise on Village Websites – *Brian to Arrange.*
- Ask Dan to provide music from 20:00 to 20:30 - *Agreed*
- Double Mic at History one to be held in front of children while they read the other for Clive. - *Agreed*
- Commerative souvenirs for the Children helping with the presentation on the evening.- *Waiting FC approval*

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### Proposed Timeline

Traditional Fish and Chips Van will be on site from 1930 to 2200, 1930 to 2000 is being used to prepare the food.

18:30	National Ring out the Bells
19:00	Church service
19:30	Fish and Chip Van on site until 22:00
20:00	Background music, from the period, While people arrive and before the formal start.
20:30	Formal Opening and the Minstrels
21:00	History and why tonight?
21:05	Proclamation
21:07	Prayers
21:09	Last Post and Reveille (One Minute Silence after Last Post)
21:15	Beacon Lighting
	Minstrels National Song for D Day
	National Anthem Verse 1 lead by Minstrels
	Thanks -Clive
21:20	40's Music
22:00	Close

Timings before the Beacon lighting may vary due to speed of speaking etc.

### Budget

It is estimated that the costs would be the Advertising Banner, Minstrels; and Dan **£500 total**. This was approved at the October council meeting. Mike Baldock has offered £350 from his KCC grant funds. Grant from KCC received.

The budget is on target and no overspend envisaged.

### Budget:

BPC	£500
KCC	£350
Total Budget	<b>£850</b>

### Spend

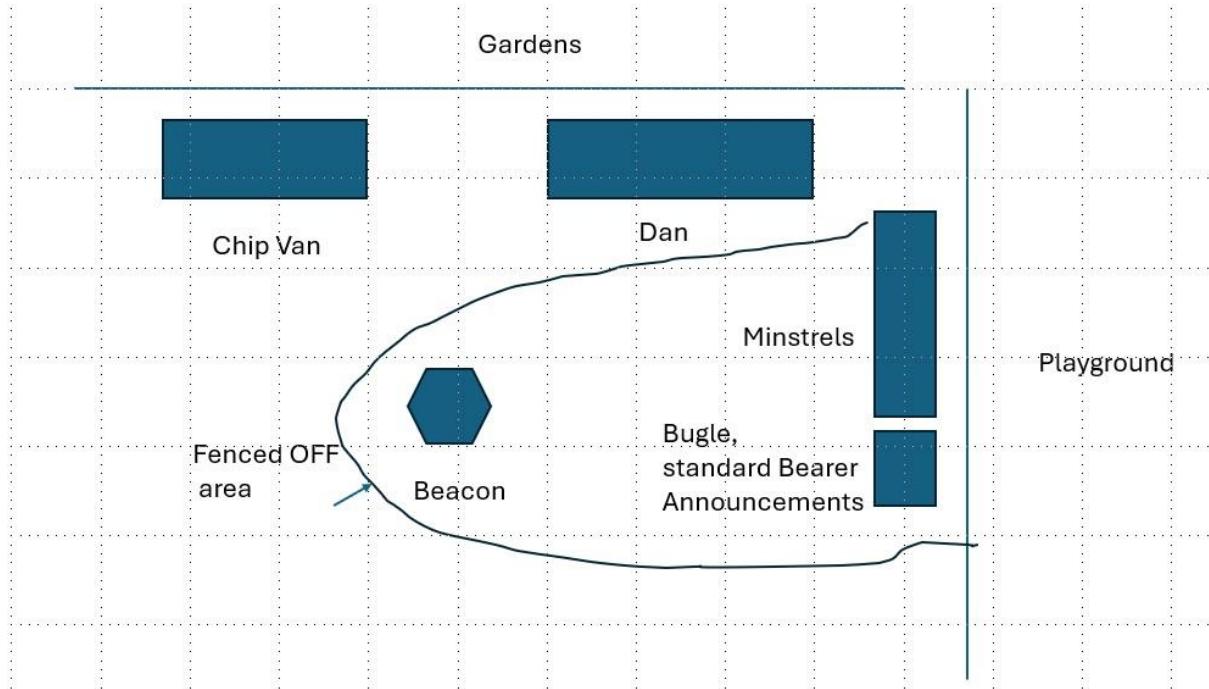
Music / pa / etc from Dan Skinner	£339
Banner	£56.68
Bugle Player	£100
Commerative gifts	£100

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Total Spend to Date                      **£595.68**

### Proposed Layout of Site



### Actions Required by FC

1. Approve the spend on commorative gifts to the children helping.
2. Approve the above budget Spend.
3. Approve advertising on Websites and Facebook groups

Brian 07/05/2024