### King's Coronation Event Planning Meeting

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2023, 7.30pm The Public Hall, Liskeard

#### Present:

Councillor Simon Cassidy (in the Chair), Councillors Christina Whitty and Richard Dorling, Rachel Bennett (Churches Together in Liskeard), Sally Hawken (Liskerrett Centre), Chrissie Henwood and Hannah Henderson (RBL), John Hesketh (Liskeard in Bloom), Bob Hollingale (Stuart House Arts & Heritage Centre), Stuart Houghton (Liskeard Lions), Kieron Jewell (Liskeard Scouts and Lions), Lin Moore (Traders Association), Francesca Louise Skipper (The Natural Way), Bryan Ugalde and Mike Allsopp (Liskeard Radio), Alastair Doyle (Event Services)

## Apologies were received from:

Tim Cook (Hillfort School), Rev Andy Day (Methodist Church) and Brian Oldham (OCS and Museum)

#### 1. Welcome and National Information

Councillor Cassidy welcomed everyone to the meeting and reported events as we know them so far from the Palace as follows (although no times have been published):

Saturday 6th May, Coronation at Westminster Abbey

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#### 2 Local Possible Events and Activities

Councillor Cassidy reported that the bunting purchased last year was in storage at the Public Hall, had been checked for condition and could be put up again. The VE Day commemorations at the War Memorial would also be within the coronation period.

Some people had come along to listen to what's planned and see how they can join in. By sharing details of plans it should help prevent any clashes. Details from organisations who have events already being planned are currently as follows:

Liskeard In Bloom will be forcing some of their plants as it is not a growing time of year. They will place flowers and planting at the fountain monument in baskets and boxes.

The Lions are working on an afternoon Tea Party (possibly 2pm – 5.30pm) which would include helping the elderly with transport if needed. They had not held their panto this year and the event could also include some entertainment. This would be available for anyone to attend. There was discussion on whether this event could be extended into the evening, but that wasn't something the Lions would be interested in taking on.

Stuart House are planning a dual exhibition from  $24^{th}$  April  $-30^{th}$  May, although they will be closed on  $6^{th}$ . They have a couple of working titles with the exhibition showing the King's visits to Cornwall and history of the English coronation.

Rachel Bennett would ask if it was possible to have a teatime or early evening Civic Service on 7<sup>th</sup> and stated that the Methodist Church going on the market and events there would be uncertain. She would also check if the bellringers at St Martin's were planning anything.

VE Day commemoration events would be confirmed following the RBL meeting on Thursday. Whether this would take place on Sunday or Monday and if a parade would take place enroute to the Civic Service. Rachel will ask if the Church would provide a small service for the wreath laying at the War Memorial.

Lin Moore reported that the independent traders may wish to take advantage of the long weekend, or take part in festivities, and could RB

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close for the bank holiday. Thereby the town being quiet. However, they would be decorating their windows to make the town look nice.

It was noted that all events organised will need volunteers to make them happen and that time is short. Impact on traders in the town must be considered too. Times are difficult for them and pubs and clubs don't need business taken away from them.

There was discussion around screening the event at the Public Hall. It was, however, confirmed that the British Legion would be screening the coronation and having a BBQ or Cream Tea which anyone was welcome to attend.

Lighting up buildings in the town with a colour, search light or union flag was also discussed and the clock tower/Guildhall was amongst the locations considered suitable for possible lighting. Alastair considered that it could be £1,000 - £1,500 to illuminate a large building, possibly more depending on the factors involved.

There was a discussion regarding having a 2 day music event and hiring a stage. It was also mentioned that it was getting late for booking entertainment along with other related implications. Any event would need to be free so it was accessible to all. It was thought not appropriate to ask businesses to donate food for such an event. It was noted that the Ploughman's Festival finishes at 7pm and that, although another town's events may be successful in the evenings, it was considered having an evening event wouldn't work. The Ploughman's Festival cost in the region of £10,000 to put on. Any organisation looking to put on an event would need volunteers and probable grant funding. Not having this type of event was proposed, due to a lack of time, available volunteers to do the considerable organisation (venue, stage and kit, performers, bar, event notice, insurance, etc.) it would require and funding.

Simon offered to speak to Liskeard School & Community College and Cornwall Council about the possibility of events taking place at the School or car park. He would also investigate the costs involved for putting on such an event.

An event aimed at young people was discussed, but events planned will be aimed at all ages.

It was reported that other small parishes in the area were possibly holding hog roast and cream teas. It was thought that nobody was pushing the boat out. Following the meeting information was received from an organisation who had been unable to attend, but commented on the current financial climate and if it was appropriate to spend large amounts of money at such a time.

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It was confirmed that any organisation who put on an event would need to have their own Public Liability Insurance to cover it.	
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Event Services also offered commercial support for events in that they can illuminate buildings and has event resources available to hire.	
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Date and Time	What's Planned (public)  By who? Where?	Who are public to contact for more details
	Town crier proclamation ?  No information received from the Palace regarding this yet	
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April  – Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> May (closed on 6 <sup>th</sup> )	2 Exhibitions – working titles currently. Exhibitions with photos and memories of King's visits to Cornwall	Stuart House
Мау	Exhibition on King's Visits to Liskeard (including him opening the Tourist Information Centre/ Museum)	Museum
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Screening of Coronation with BBQ or Cream Tea (as weather dictates). Open to public.	British Legion
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Afternoon Tea party in Westbourne Gardens / Public Hall – pending confirmation of facilities availability	Liskeard Lions
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 11am TBC	Drumhead Service and wreath laying The Parade	RBL
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Church Service in evening	St Martin's Church
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 12 noon	Community Litter Pick Meet at Scout Hut	Scouts