

VE DAY COMMEMORATION GROUP

MINUTES OF THE VE DAY COMMEMORATION GROUP MEETING HELD ON 5TH FEBRUARY 2020 AT THE PARISH CENTRE, ST MARYS ROAD, LITTLE HAYWOOD COMMENCING AT 7:00PM.

COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Cllr Wells (Chair); Cllr Bloor; Cllr Dunn; Cllr Jackson and Cllr Roberts.

COMMUNITY GROUPS PRESENT: L Harris and L Bellis (Great Haywood Memorial Hall); C Hunt (St Stephens); J Sarjant (Colwich Parish in Bloom and Flower & Vegetable Show) and A Hardwick (Colwich Parish in Bloom) and J McDonald (Christmas Lights Committee).

IN ATTENDANCE: Michael Lennon (Parish Clerk)

Cllr Welles welcomed everyone to the second meeting of the group before reviewing the minutes from the 16th January 2020 meeting.

Sunday 10th May 2020

St Stephen's noted that the PCC will meet in March with a view to confirming the Evensong service on Sunday 10th May commencing at 4pm. Subject to this agreement, Revd Simon Davies will be the lead celebrant

The Great Haywood Memorial Hall confirmed that they will provide refreshments as discussed previously and would like the Chairman of the Twining Association to officiate at the 50th Anniversary plaque rededicated. In discussion it was agreed to invite the three primary schools to form a choir to sing at this service.

ACTION: Clerk to write to the head teachers with the proposal including a list of songs.

Saturday 9th May 2020

Colwich and Little Haywood Village Hall [CLHVH] would like to be involved in the commemoration events. In discussion, it was suggested that a coffee morning be arranged (10:00am – 1:00pm) on Saturday 9th May 2020 to include a 1940s themed cake competition with two categories of Under 14s and Over 14s.

ACTION: Cllr Roberts to confirm booking with CLHVH and J Sarjant to approach F&VS entrants. Cllr Wells to acquire signed cook books.

GMMH confirmed that the film will be "A Royal Night Out" to start at 7:30pm.

Friday 8th May 2020

The afternoon “Picnic in the Park” should involve families bringing their own picnics. **ACTION:** Cllr Walters to be asked to organise a sports day in conjunction with other interested groups e.g Youth Council and/or The Rangers with rosettes for first; second and third place. Cllr Dunn to approach the local Morris Dancing troupe to check their availability. Cllr Roberts to approach Colwich Primary School to check the availability of their Maypole. Stands from local groups to be permitted.

In discussion it was agreed that the evening event should run from 7:00pm – 10:30pm with 30 minutes clearing up time afterwards. The Clerk confirmed that “The Rat Pack” had confirmed their availability. A further band, Chicago Blues, was proposed from Cllr Walters. Bands to play between 7:30pm – 10:00pm. The Clerk confirmed that 2Chefs had agreed to provide catering in the evening. It was suggested that they be approached to provide tea, coffee and soft drinks in the afternoon event as well. The Clerk was awaiting confirmation from The Vine Inn Brewery who had provided a licensed bar at the 2019 Music Festival and Christmas Lights switch on event. The Clerk is also awaiting a response from The Frying Squad Fish and Chip Van as to their availability [**NOTE:** The Clerk has now spoke to Joe Adams who has confirmed they will not be available due to a prior Friday night booking for the rest of 2020.]

ACTION: The Clerk to approach the Pizza Van who catered the switch on event.

A Hardwick confirmed that her son will create banners for either end of the village.

It was agreed to provide a “ration card” invite within the Spring Newsletter. Card to include an RSVP to aid catering and that 1940s dress code is optional but appreciated.

ACTION: Clerk to approach St Johns Ambulance and PCSOs.

The next meeting shall be held on 12th March at 7pm.

Meeting closed at 8:25pm.