

Langley with Hardley Parish Council

Report: D Day 80 Community Event, 6th June 2024

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I. Introduction

To support the 80th anniversary celebrations to commemorate D Day on 6th June 2024 all Towns and Parish's across the Norfolk are encouraged to mark the event.

Option 1

Parish Council to organise a community beacon lighting event and the Parish Council would be awarded an official Certificate of Grateful Recognition.

Actions.

Identify a public area for event. Village green – not really suitable due to limited space.
Village Hall?

Supply of firewood, safety barriers – cost?

Risk assessment

Number of volunteers required to organise and attend event evening of 6th June 2024.

Advertise event on fb, Chet news, parish council website.

Option 2

Purchase "The D Day Lamp of Peace" and place in a public place for the parish residents viewing. The lamps are enduring, can be kept and used again on Remembrance Day and at other events which are enshrined in our history.

Actions.

Council to agree funds to purchase lamp - £55.00. (Photo attached).

Identify a public building within the Parish which the public have access (Hardley St Margaret's church)

Permission required to place lamp.

Volunteer to light lamp and parish chairman to read the International Tribute at 9.15pm on 6th June 2024.

Advertise event on fb, Chet news, parish website.

Option 3.

Do nothing



The International Tribute

To be undertaken at 9.15pm alongside the lighting of a Beacon - 6th June 2024



When the International 80th Anniversary D-Day Beacon will be lit at **8.15pm** (British Summer time), at the British Normandy Memorial overlooking Gold Beach, with the other Beacons located on Utah, Omaha, Juno and Sword, in Normandy, France, being lit at **8.30pm** BST, followed by the Principal Beacon at Portsmouth, Channel Island and Isle of Man Beacon at Portsmouth, England at **9.15pm** BST, we would ask all communities in France and the UK to stop what they are doing and undertake **The International Tribute**, using the wording found on this page. This could be undertaken by your Lord Mayor, Mayor, High Steward, Town and Parish Clerk, Town Crier, Pub Landlord or a young person from one of your local youth organisations etc, paying tribute to those who gave so much. In doing so, we commemorate D-Day and give thanks for eighty years of peace and freedom.

The Tribute

Let us remember those who gave their lives at home and abroad during the D-Day landings, whose sacrifice enables us all to enjoy the peace and freedom we have today.

Let us remember those who came home wounded, physically and mentally, and the friends and family who cared for them.

Let us remember those who returned to restore their relationships and rebuild their working lives after years of conflict and turmoil.

Let us remember the families that lost husbands, wives, sons, daughters and sweethearts.

Let us remember the servicemen and women and merchant seafarers of all nationalities – from all countries – who fought, suffered and died during the D-Day landings and six years of war.

Let us all remember those in the Royal Navy, Army, Royal Air Force, Merchant Navy, and our Allies – the brave people who kept us safe on the home front and abroad and those in reserved occupations during the difficult time of war.

Let us remember the brave doctors and nurses who cared for the wounded, the men and women who toiled in the fields, the coal mines, the factories and the air raid wardens, police officers, firemen, ambulance drivers and the young people of the Scouts and Guides who all played such a vital role in the war.



D-DAY 80 ANNIVERSARY 6 JUNE 2024 - THE LARGEST NAVAL, AIR AND LAND OPERATION IN HISTORY