

## Community, Leisure & Recreation Committee

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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>25 October 2022</b>
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### Purpose of the Report

1. To consider Thame Town Council's involvement in the celebrations of King Charles III Coronation on Saturday 6 May 2023.

### Update

2. Buckingham Palace has announced that the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III, will take place on Saturday 6 May 2023 at Westminster Abbey.
3. It should be noted that District, Town, and Parish Elections will be taking place on Thursday 4 May 2023, as with previous elections the count of ballot papers takes place on Friday.
4. Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils have confirmed that Councillors remain Councillors until four days after the elections (Local Government Act 1972, ss16(3) and 35 (2)), as such Councillor Cowell would still be Mayor on the day of the Coronation.

### Projects for consideration

- a) Planting of the raised flower beds at the Memorial Gardens subject to investigations into costs which have been in the past approximately £1,150. Planting ideas attached to this report.
- b) Planting of fruit or nut trees on Council sites subject to approval from the Open Spaces Working Group after seeking expert advice, location/s, and partnership working with the Thame Trees / Thame Green Living Plan who are already working on different areas within Thame. Or to assist with encouraging the community to take part with planting in their gardens.
- c) Investigate holding street parties or to provide the advice for residents to celebrate with their neighbours as we did for the Queens Platinum Jubilee.
- d) Work in partnership with the local Churches for community celebrations.
- e) Any other ideas.

It's challenging to know what is expected or required at this moment in time.

### Action required:

- i) ***To consider Thame Town Council's involvement in the celebrations of King Charles III Coronation.***

*Project a) Planting ideas costs to be investigated.*

