FAREHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

2022/23 Decision No. 2416

Record of Decision by Executive

Monday, 6 March 2023

Portfolio	Leisure and Community
Subject:	The Kings Coronation Proposals
Report of:	Director of Leisure and Community
Corporate Priority:	Leisure opportunities for health and fun; Protect and enhance the environment

Purpose:

To outline proposals to commemorate The King's Coronation.

On Saturday 06 May, the Coronation of King Charles III and Queen Consort, Camilla will take place at Westminster Abbey.

As well as the additional bank holiday taking place on Monday 08 May, Buckingham Palace have announced further plans regarding the ceremonial, celebratory and community events that will take place all over the Coronation weekend.

On Sunday 07 May, a special Coronation Concert will take place at Windsor Castle and be broadcast by the BBC. The Coronation Big Lunch will take place across the country on the same day encouraging neighbours and communities to share food and fun together to celebrate at street parties and garden get togethers.

The Big Help Out will be held on Monday 08 May 2023; the additional bank holiday. Organised by The Together Coalition and 25 of the UK's biggest charities, The Big Help Out will highlight the positive impact volunteering has on communities across the nation and will encourage communities to lend a helping hand to local groups and charities.

Fareham has a history of marking significant royal events and to commemorate The King's Coronation, Officers have outlined proposals as to how the Borough could mark this special occasion with its residents.

Options Considered:

At the invitation of the Executive Leader, Councillor Mrs K K Trott addressed the Executive on this item.

In presenting this item, the Executive Portfolio holder for Leisure and Community, Councillor Mrs S Walker, explained that she was recommending that the suggested community event hosted by the Council be removed in light of the current financial pressures facing the Council and that this would result in the total costs for the King's Coronation being reduced from £43,000 to £13,000.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive agrees that:

- (a) the Council promotes how residents can hold their own street parties and get involved with the national initiatives, the Big Lunch and The Big Help Out over the Coronation weekend;
- (b) commemorative Coronation mugs are available to order from Fareham Borough Council at a cost of £4 each;
- (c) a bespoke, commemorative seat is installed at The Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Park;
- (d) The King's Cypher is engraved into a diamond shaped area of external brickwork on the Fareham Live building; and
- (e) a special Coronation link is added to the Mayoral chain.

Reason:

To provide a series of events and activities to commemorate The King's Coronation.

Confirmed as a true record:

Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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