

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

2023/24
Decision No.
2501

Record of Decision by Executive

Monday, 8 January 2024

Portfolio	Leisure & Community/Policy & Resources
Subject:	D-Day 80 Event
Report of:	Assistant Director (Democracy) & Deputy Monitoring Officer
Corporate Priority:	Leisure Opportunities for Wellbeing and Fun

Purpose:

To consider proposals for the Council to support an event to recognise the 80th Anniversary of D-Day at Solent Airport @ Daedalus.

6th June 2024 is the 80th Anniversary of the D-Day Landings and the Battle of Normandy that led to the liberation of France and Europe. In 2019, the Council commemorated the 75th Anniversary with a well-received community event held at Solent Airport @ Daedalus and, consequently, the Executive are invited to consider whether it wishes to recognise the 80th Anniversary next year.

The report considers the options available, including the potential for a similar event to be staged and an approach has been received by an external events company to run this.

Recognising the significant milestone events also taking place during 2024, including a full local election, completion and launch of Fareham Live, 50th Borough Anniversary events, the finite officer capacity for these exceptional events alongside the annual programme of activities, and taking account of lessons learned from previous events, it is proposed to invite an events management company to organise a community event at Daedalus, alongside a simultaneous fly-in event at Solent Airport.

Options Considered:

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive agrees:

- (a) to appoint Montserrat Events Community Interest Company to organise an event, under licence, to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of D-Day in June 2024 non-airside at Daedalus, subject to financial approvals and subject to agreement of detailed terms and conditions;
- (b) subject to approval of (a), to delegate authority to the Assistant Director (Democracy), following consultation with the Executive Member for Leisure and Community to agree Heads of Terms and conditions for the Licence agreement; and
- (c) to request a simultaneous fly-in event at Solent Airport, organised by the Council's Airport Operator.

Reason:

To enable an event to recognise the 80th Anniversary of D-Day to take place at Daedalus.

Confirmed as a true record:

Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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