

NOTICE OF MEETING

A **SPECIAL MEETING** of the **PROVOST'S PANEL** will be held in the **BOARD ROOM, VIEWFORTH, STIRLING** on **TUESDAY 20 DECEMBER 2011** at **10.00 a.m.**

ELIZABETH M DUNCAN
Chief Governance Officer
Clerk to the Council

15 December 2011

B U S I N E S S

1. **APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS**
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
3. **HER MAJESTY'S DIAMOND JUBILEE – DIAMOND JUBILEE BEACONS EVENTS - 4 JUNE 2012 AND ASSOCIATED DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS (Pages 1 – 6)**
Report by Head of Governance & Resources

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STIRLING COUNCIL

**THIS REPORT RELATES
TO ITEM 2
ON THE AGENDA**

SPECIAL PROVOST'S PANEL

**GOVERNANCE &
RESOURCES**

20 DECEMBER 2011

NOT EXEMPT

THE QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 On 22 November 2011 the Provost's Panel agreed to support proposals to encourage communities to participate in The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations events to take place early in June 2012.
- 1.2 The Panel also agreed to clarify with Council services what events they were proposing to organise to recognise this historic event; seek advice from Communications & Marketing, Chief Executive's Office on ideas for Diamond Jubilee Celebrations and invite the Council's 4 Political Groups to input ideas for the Panel to consider.
- 1.3 The ideas submitted from Council Services are appended as Appendix 1 to this report.
- 1.4 Information on ideas for events to be considered via the Lord Lieutenant's Office are included for information.

2 OFFICER RECOMMENDATION(S)

The Panel agrees

- 1 to consider ideas to support community participation in the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations;
- 2 to note for information the suggestions of the Office of the Lord Lieutenancy.

3 CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.1 As the next meeting of the Panel is not due to meet until 14 February 2012 it was agreed to have a special meeting to discuss the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations.

4 POLICY/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS AND CONSULTATIONS

Policy Implications	
Equality Impact Assessment	No
Strategic Environmental Assessment	No
Single Outcome Agreement	Yes
Diversity (age, disability, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation)	No
Sustainability (community, economic, environmental)	No
Effect on Council's green house gas emissions	No significant increase
Strategic/Service Plan	No
Existing Policy or Strategy	No
Risk	Yes
Resource Implications	
Financial	Yes
People	Yes
Land and Property or IT Systems	Yes
Consultations	
Internal or External Consultations	Yes

Equality Impact Assessment

- 4.1 This report has been considered under the Council's Equalities Impact Assessment Process and was assessed as not relevant for the purposes of Equality Impact Assessment.

Strategic Environmental Assessment

- 4.2 The report does not relate to a qualifying plan, programme or strategy under the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 and as such a Strategic Environmental Assessment is not required.

4.3 Single Outcome Agreement

The report supports the achievement of the objectives set out in the Single Outcome Agreement Topic 4: making Stirling a place where improved wellbeing adds life to years, not just years to life;

Strategic Theme B – encouraging participation and responsibility

Other Policy Implications

- 4.4 As a landowner the Council will need to consider any requests submitted for use of Council land for the purpose of holding Diamond Jubilee Events.

Resource Implications

- 4.5 There will be financial implications. The Panel agreed that the cost of Diamond Jubilee Celebration Events agreed by the Council be funded via the Civic Fund; Education budget and Corporate Events budget and that any mementoes purchased for distribution to school pupils are inexpensive.

Consultations

- 4.6 Chief Executive's Office, Governance & Resources; Employment, Communities & Youth, Economy, Planning & Regulation, Housing & Customer Service, Environment, Corporate Projects, Social Services, Education

Council and Executive Only

	Tick (✓) to confirm
The appropriate Portfolio Holder(s) has been consulted on this report	N/A
The Chief Executive/appropriate Assistant Chief Executive(s) has been consulted on this report.	N/A

5 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 5.1 Minutes of Meeting of the Provost's Panel held on 22 November 2011 (Paragraph PV 148 refers).

6 APPENDICES

- 6.1. Appendix 1 – Suggestions from Council Services and 4 Political Groups.

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Date 6 December 2011

Reference _____

HM DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS – 30 MAY – 4 JUNE 2012**Suggestions from Council Services and the 4 Political Groups on ideas for Council Diamond Jubilee Celebrations.****Liberal Democrat Group**

An appropriate way to celebrate the Jubilee would be to create a tree line walk, possibly along the riverside with 1 tree for each of her years. The Ash tree “The Queen of the Forest” would be a suitable species, as it is fast growing and a beautiful tree. Apart from Stirling, local communities would be encouraged to plant Jubilee trees appropriate to the locality and the site, for instance Scots Pine for the Highland villages and perhaps fruiting or flowering trees for smaller villages and schools.

Another suggestion is that it is not appropriate for Stirling Council/Scottish Government to be promoting bonfires because of Co2 emissions. It was suggested that a large set of white numbers (similar to the “Hollywood” sign) mounted on the hill below the Castle showing the Co2 emissions generated within Stirling since the Queen came to the throne. The children of Stirling should also be asked to contribute to a community event.

Chief Executive’s Office

A summer celebration in the city centre. A chance for people to come along and see Stirling’s cast of characters, including Robert the Bruce and Mary de Guise et al. Join in the parade and party throughout the day with entertainment provided by a radio station, young performers and street entertainers.

A similar format to the Christmas parade and switch on party - but with better weather. It would be a good opportunity to get photographs of living history – Stirling’s characters - and crowds enjoying summer time in the city with street entertainers and so on - to encourage visitors on that day, but also to get photographs to use in marketing for the run up to 2014.

Environment

Look at the feasibility of lighting the trees around the Castle and Backwalk, just like the Enchanted Forest display in Perthshire. As the Castle Rock is beacon shaped anyhow, illuminating the trees would make it look like a giant Beacon.

Employment, Communities & Youth

No comments given.

Governance & Resources

No comments given.

Economy, Planning & Regulation

No comments given.

Education

No comments given.

Corporate Projects

No comments given.

Assets & Support

No comments given.

Social Services

No comments given.

Suggestions made via the Office of the Lord Lieutenancy (but not confirmed).

Encourage Communities to take part in The Big Lunch – Garden/Street Parties – Sunday 3 June 2012.

Beating of the Retreat on Stirling Castle Esplanade – 4 June 2012.

Bell ringing across the whole area – on Tuesday 5 June 2012

Gun Salute – 16 June 2012.

Scotland's Gardening Scheme – Encourage private householders to open up their gardens.

Time capsule – encourage communities to bury a time capsule with memorabilia of the Queen's reign.

Commemorative medals.