



## St Asaph City Council Events meeting

Wednesday 19th February 2020 10 am at the Translators' Tearoom. St Asaph Cathedral

**Present:** Cllrs Scott (Mayor), Roberts (Chair), Cowie, Hardie, Hodgkinson, Morton, Rust, Thomas and Williams.

**Also Present:** Rev Nigel Williams and Lorna Kernahan

### 1. Apologies:

- Cllr Ellison & two members of the public

- The meeting was called to consider arrangements for VE Day 75 in St Asaph.
- Task List from the meeting of 21<sup>st</sup> January was reviewed to clarify which events are City Council responsibility:

### 2. The Mayor's Toast Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 3 pm

- This will be a City Council Event. Clerk to register with veday75.
- To take place on Cathedral Green.
- Prosecco and glasses to be ordered on a sale or return basis.
- Alcohol licence not required as alcohol is not being sold.
- Clerk to contact British Legion re: a recording of Churchill's speech.
- PRS licence not required as recording will be acquired through British Legion.
- Music to be 1945 themed & National Anthems.
- Clerk to contact Mark Budd re sound system.
- Clerk to source Union Flag with Welsh Ddraig Goch in the centre.
- Winner of Window Competition to be announced.

### 3. Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2020

- Article in City Times along the lines of "If you want to arrange a street party, please go ahead and do so".
- Saturday afternoon – encourage residents to picnic to (the Common or Roe Plas Meadow) late afternoon, followed by WW2 films/ Suggestions include Goodbye Mr Tom, The Dambusters. Could also play 1945 music. Encourage residents to wear 1945 dress.
- There are no guarantees the Parish Church will be ready, so best not to proceed with Tea Dance, Tea Party. Therefore, dance lessons not required.

#### **4. Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

- The Dean confirmed that the service at the Cathedral can go ahead so long as it coincides with Morning Eucharist.
- Options after the service were discussed and it was decided that rather than a parade to the Cenotaph and service there, there would be a poppy drop and the reading of names of those from St Asaph who lost their lives in World War 2.
- The Dean will consider the possibility of a peal of bells.
- Children to be encouraged to bring an item relating to each of those lives lost reinforcing the personal cost of the War.
- PS to contact Brad re: drum stack.
- Bugler not required.
- Clerk to source poppies.
- Clerk to contact Translators' Tearoom re@ refreshments.

#### **5. Week leading up to 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

- Clerk to order bunting – possible Union Jack & Ddraig Goch. BR will assist with quantities.
- AT will contact DCC Events team for support with:  
- Display Boards.
- Council discussed display at the Library and events for children in the week leading up to 8<sup>th</sup> May.
- Window dressing competition – 1945 theme - with a bottle of champagne as the prize. Judging on the Thursday.
- Lorna to organise craft events with children – perhaps they could make the items relating to the fallen mentioned in 3 above.
- Decided not to go ahead with the fireworks.
- A decision on the beacons was deferred to the next meeting when the condition of the beacon stored at the football pavilion is known (post flood).
- Duncan and Janet were to contact Michael Parry Jones re: photographs for display.
- AT and DH volunteered to organise the display.
- DH will organise fliers and entries into the City Times.
- Clerk to research Banners and Soldiers at the Cenotaph.

**Next meeting 18<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 10 am at the Cathedral Tearoom**