

<b>Title of Report:</b>	<b>Commemoration Programme HM Queen Elizabeth II</b>
<b>Committee Report Submitted To:</b>	<b>Commemoration and Celebration Sub-Committee</b>
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>02 April 2025</b>
<b>For Decision or For Information</b>	<b>For Decision</b>
<b>To be discussed In Committee YES/NO</b>	NO

<b>Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25)</b>	
Strategic Theme	Leader and Champion
Outcome	
Lead Officer	Director of Corporate Services

<b>Estimated Timescale for Completion</b>	
Date to be Completed	December 2026

<b>Budgetary Considerations</b>	
Cost of Proposal	TBC - £20K in budget 2024/25
Included in Current Year Estimates	<b>YES/NO</b>
Capital/Revenue	Revenue
Code	3106 – Civic Projects
Staffing Costs	

Legal Considerations			
Input of Legal Services Required		YES/NO	
Legal Opinion Obtained		YES/NO	
Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	Yes/No	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
	DPIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:

## **1.0 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to provide an update on the Commemoration Programme for HM Queen Elizabeth II.

## **2.0 Background**

- 2.1 On 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023 Council resolved to agree the following Notice of Motion:

### **Notice of Motion (A)**

*“This council acknowledges, with sadness, the recent passing of our late Sovereign Lady, Queen Elizabeth II. Pays tribute to the exemplary dignity, wisdom and diligence with which Her Late Majesty served our nation and the Commonwealth. Further acknowledges the tremendous debt of gratitude owed for the personal sacrifice and unwavering loyal devotion over her glorious 70-year reign.*

*This Council commits to honour and enshrine her memory in tangible commemoration across the Borough and invites council officers to present an options paper to the relevant committee for consideration in due course. This council shall also establish a sub-committee to commence preparation for the coronation of His Majesty, King Charles III.”*

### **2.2 Notice of Motion (B)**

*“That Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council recognises the exemplary 70 years of service rendered by the late Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, as the United Kingdom’s longest reigning Monarch.*

*We are also very proud that the Late Monarch visited our Borough 5 times between 1953 and 2016, in which she included the unveiling of sergeant Robert Quigg VC statue in Bushmills, within my own constituency, which was to be her last visit.*

*In recognition of her shining example of exemplary selfless service, we the undersigned propose that a substantial permanent memorial be commissioned and located within the Borough and be in situ before or during 2026. We believe that the memorial should depict Queen Elizabeth II during her coronation and that ideally it would be located in a prominent and visible location*

*We further propose that officers prepare a report, taking this matter forward, to include options for design, location, consultation with appropriate groups and identification of a suitable budget as part of the estimates process.*

*This Statue will be a fitting tribute by the people of the Borough to the late Monarch, whose service to our country may never be matched again."*

### **3.0 Commemoration Programme**

3.1 As detailed in the Commemoration Programme attached at Appendix A, Members had previously asked that the idea of a modern style silhouette of the late Queen Elizabeth II with Paddington Bear and her beloved Corgis' be explored.

3.2 The Northern Regional College was approached to see if they would be interested in partnering with the Council in this project.

Confirmation was received that the college's HND Graphic Design Course, which is based in Trostan Avenue, Ballymena, are keen to take on this project and representatives from Northern Regional College will be in attendance at the Sub-Committee Meeting to discuss.

3.3 The Commemoration Programme has been updated following subsequent Sub-Committee Meetings. Research is currently ongoing to obtain information and costings for various suggestions contained within the Draft Commemoration Programme as per Appendix A and at 3.4 and 3.5 below.

3.4 As previously agreed by Elected Members, a procurement exercise is being undertaken for the design and supply of the interior option using the following criteria.

Indoor:

- Size: 1000mm x 330mm
- Style: Cameo
- Material: Formed Epoxy Resin
- Location: Coleraine Town Hall
- Inside

3.5 Elected Members previously agreed that an option for an outdoor piece of artwork also be explored as a possible alternative to the indoor one. Members are now asked to consider the following criteria so that this can be explored.

Outdoor:

- Size: 3000mm x 1000mm
- Style: Queen Elizabeth's Favourite Flower - Rose
- Material: Corten Steel
- Location: TBC
- Outside

#### **4.0 Financial Implications**

- 4.1 Council had agreed an initial budget of £20,000 (2024/25) for delivery of the programme for Notices of Motion (a) and (b). As the Commemoration Plan continues to develop, a budget of £40,000 has been included for 2025/26 to cover activities planned for by this Sub-Committee.

#### **4.2 Equality Implications**

- 4.3 The Commemoration Programme will be screened in accordance with the Council's Policies and Procedures.

#### **5.0 Recommendation**

- 5.1 **It is recommended** that the update as detailed in Appendix A is noted and that work continues by Officers in order to research costs and methods of delivery for the various activities contained in the agreed Commemoration Programme for HM Queen Elizabeth II.

## Commemoration and Celebration Sub-Committee

### Commemoration Programme

	<p>The role of the Sub Committee is to act as an advisory group, supporting the development of a proposed programme of activity to recognise commemorative and celebratory occasions.</p> <p>To identify resource requirements to deliver an agreed programme of activity <i>and commemoration</i>;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To share best practice in terms of wider initiatives and approaches;</li> <li>To promote co-ordination and collaboration in terms of delivery of a range of activity, avoiding duplication of effort.</li> </ul>		
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<p><i>options paper to the relevant committee for consideration in due course.</i></p> <p><i>This council shall also establish a sub-committee to commence preparation for the coronation of His Majesty, King Charles III.”</i></p> <p><b>Notice of Motion (1b)</b></p> <p><i>“That Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council recognises the exemplary 70 years of service rendered by the late Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, as the United Kingdom’s longest reigning Monarch.</i></p> <p><i>We are also very proud that the Late Monarch visited our Borough 5 times between 1953 and 2016, in which she included the unveiling of sergeant Robert Quigg VC statue in Bushmills, within my own constituency, which was to be her last visit.</i></p> <p><i>In recognition of her shining example of exemplary selfless service, we the undersigned propose that a substantial permanent memorial be commissioned and located within the Borough and be in situ before or during 2026. We believe that the memorial should depict Queen Elizabeth II during her coronation and that ideally it would be located in a prominent and visible location</i></p>	<p>CP&amp;R). Membership of the Sub Committee was updated following the Local Government Election in May 2023 as follows:</p> <table><tr><th>Round</th><th>Rank</th><th></th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>DUP</td><td>Cllr Storey</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>SF</td><td>Pass</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>DUP</td><td>Ald Knight-McQuillan</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>SF</td><td>Pass</td></tr><tr><td>5</td><td>Allianc e</td><td>Cllr McCully</td></tr><tr><td>6</td><td>DUP</td><td>Ald Fielding</td></tr><tr><td>7</td><td>UUP</td><td>Councillor Wisener Cllr Wilson (former)</td></tr><tr><td>8</td><td>SF</td><td>Pass</td></tr><tr><td>9</td><td>DUP</td><td>Cllr Huggins</td></tr></table>	Round	Rank		1	DUP	Cllr Storey	2	SF	Pass	3	DUP	Ald Knight-McQuillan	4	SF	Pass	5	Allianc e	Cllr McCully	6	DUP	Ald Fielding	7	UUP	Councillor Wisener Cllr Wilson (former)	8	SF	Pass	9	DUP	Cllr Huggins	<p>DCS</p>	<p>£20,000</p>
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<p>To explore the idea of a modern style silhouette of the late Queen Elizabeth II with Paddington Bear and her beloved Corgis’.</p>	<p>Communications are ongoing to gauge if NRC wishes to partner with Council on this project.</p> <hr/> <p><i>Update for March 2025:</i> Confirmation has been received that the college’s HND Graphic Design Course, which is based in Trostan Avenue, Ballymena, are keen to take on this project. Key members of staff have been invited to attend a Sub-Committee meeting in order to progress with the partnering arrangement.</p> <hr/> <p><i>Update for April 2025:</i> Representatives from Northern Regional College will be in attendance at the Sub-Committee Meeting.</p>	<p>Corporate Services</p>	<p>To Be Confirmed</p>
<p>To look at the possibility of the renaming of a street in each of the Causeway Coast and Glens District Electoral Areas and/or the naming of the new Leisure Centre in Coleraine and/or renaming Castlerock Promenade as Queen Elizabeth II Promenade could recognise the late Queen Elizabeth II, with similar tributes in other District Electoral Areas.</p>	<p>As reported to Environmental Services Committee on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024 “Legal Advice on Powers To Rename Roads” it was stated that Council does not have powers to rename a road/street as per Legal Advice</p> <p>Promenades are not in Council ownership and this would therefore be a matter for the Department for Infrastructure.</p> <hr/> <p>Update from NIO re naming of a Building: “Having reviewed your request with officials, we have transferred your request to the cabinet office, who would be best placed to deal with</p>	<p>SMT</p>	<p>-</p>



	<p>your request. Once reviewed they will respond in due course.”</p> <p>Further Guidance on this topic can be found at: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-royal-names-memorialisation-guidance/royal-names-memorialisation-public-guidance-html">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-royal-names-memorialisation-guidance/royal-names-memorialisation-public-guidance-html</a></p>		
To investigate that the Portrush to Bushmills Greenway (which encompassed the legacy Moyle and Coleraine Borough Council areas) currently subject to a consultation process, could include a commemoration	<p>Further information has been sought as to the status of this Consultation process</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Update: This project was put on hold with uncertainties regarding Government funding. It will now continue in its early development phases, which will include outline design and development of economic appraisals etc. Consultation to date has been through SIB / SIB colleagues who have engaged with affected landowners, statutory bodies and key stakeholders.</p> <p>Leisure and Development Report – 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024 - Growth Deal: Outline Business Cases – Development &amp; Design Costs provides further information.</p> <p>Work in Progress</p>	L&D	
To look into the option of tree planting projects possibly using oak trees, which have longevity.	Native oak trees were planted in the following locations to commemorate the NI Centenary in	Estates	£1500

	<p>2021. The same locations are proposed with the trees being planted by the Mayor/Deputy Mayor in the New Year.</p> <p>Riverside Park, Ballymoney  River Park, Armoy  Cloonavin  Flowerfield, Portstewart  Jim Watt Centre, Garvagh  Lower Main Street, Limavady  Burnfoot Playing Fields</p> <p>Granite wedges (see below) were provided at each location and it is recommended that a similar format is used with the Council logo</p>  <p><i>Update for February 2025:</i></p>		
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	<p>The Deputy Mayor will plant the trees on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February which is the 73<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of Queen Elizabeth’s accession to the throne.</p> <table><tr><th>Location</th><th>Date/Time</th></tr><tr><td>Riverside Park, Ballymoney</td><td>10 am</td></tr><tr><td>River Park, Armoy</td><td>10.45 am</td></tr><tr><td>Cloonavin</td><td>11.45 am</td></tr><tr><td>Flowerfield Arts Centre, Portstewart</td><td>12.30 pm</td></tr><tr><td>Jim Watt Centre, Garvagh</td><td>2 pm</td></tr><tr><td>Lower Main Street, Limavady</td><td>3 pm</td></tr><tr><td>Burnfoot Playing Fields</td><td>3.45 pm</td></tr></table>	Location	Date/Time	Riverside Park, Ballymoney	10 am	River Park, Armoy	10.45 am	Cloonavin	11.45 am	Flowerfield Arts Centre, Portstewart	12.30 pm	Jim Watt Centre, Garvagh	2 pm	Lower Main Street, Limavady	3 pm	Burnfoot Playing Fields	3.45 pm		
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<p>To explore the idea of green spaces, where people could come together, possibly in a memorial garden/garden of remembrance at Anderson Park area in Coleraine in the vicinity of the Northern Regional College.</p>	<p>Internal consultation has taken place and the following comments made re Anderson Park:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <i>there an opportunity that this proposal could be proposed for a small project as part of the Coleraine Fund and that funding could potentially contribute to this,.</i></li><li>- <i>There have also been some suggestions regarding the redevelopment of the play park there</i></li><li>- <i>Anderson Park has been subject to significant anti-social behaviour and vandalism recently, therefore . may be detrimental to the enjoyment of others.</i></li><li>- <i>the additional footfall from the NRC could assist in deterring anti-social behaviour, but only during hours the NRC is open</i></li></ul>																		

To try and encourage children to design tiles which would form a feature, such as the NI100 wall feature at Roe Valley Arts Centre.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Artist fees including facilitation of participatory workshops</li> <li>• Delivery and installation of project</li> </ul> <p><i>Do Members wish to consider this idea within the proposed Memorial Garden?</i></p>		£5,000
To look at undertaking D-Day Commemorations in conjunction with standard bearers from Royal British Legion groupings at key events.	Complete		

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