

# Platinum Jubilee Draft Programme of Events

## **Witney Town Council**

There is a designated page for information on the Town Council's website <https://www.witney-tc.gov.uk/the-queens-platinum-jubilee/> This includes a draft version of our Programme of Events and links to guidance for holding street parties from WODC so it has local knowledge relevance. Big Jubilee Lunch information is also included. Queen's green Canopy free tree giveaway through Woodland Trust is also highlighted, along with information on our town-wide jubilee planting scheme and our tree planting plans.

## **Witney Schools & Care Homes**

Witney schools and Care homes have been invited to create a Congratulations Card Competition. Each school will submit a winning design and an overall winning design will be made into a card and sent to Buckingham Palace, signed by the mayor on behalf of Witney. All schools will get their entry returned to them as a canvas to keep as a legacy reminder of the occasion. Closing date for entries is the first week of May.

## Programme

### **6<sup>th</sup> February** – Accession Day

The mayor carried out a low-key flag-raising event to mark the beginning of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee year.

### **11<sup>th</sup> March** – Tree Planting

To coincide with the National Association of Civic Officers, the Mayor planted a tree at the Queen Elizabeth II Recreation Ground at Burwell.

### **1<sup>st</sup> June** – Children's Play Day at the Queen Elizabeth II Recreation Ground, Burwell.

This free event is part funded by the Town Council and run by Oxfordshire Play Association.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> June** – Beacon Lighting at the Leys.

A Witney Town Council event. Time tbc- Refer to main report.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> June** - Chatterbox Senior's Coffee Morning

Refer to main report.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> June** – Afternoon Event at the Corn Exchange

A free event run by Witney Voice Box Choir, donations will be collected at the end. It will start between 2.30 and 3.30 and finish between 5 and 5.30. They have requested that 1863 be open to serve refreshments and to have some chairs available outside.

The town band and other musicians have been asked to perform in the market square following the performance (being progressed externally).

**4<sup>th</sup> June** – Children’s Activity Morning at the Corn Exchange

A Witney Town Council event. Refer to report for details.

**4<sup>th</sup> June** - Witney Round Table Beer Festival

Being held at St Mary’s Church and run by Witney Round Table.

**5<sup>th</sup> June** – Civic Service at St Mary’s Church at 10.45am.

All are welcome.

**5<sup>th</sup> June** - Platinum Jubilee Big Lunch

At the Leys, being organised by the Coffee Shed and Premier Tennis.

**2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> June** – Corn Exchange Exhibition

An exhibition showing the winning entries for the Witney Congratulations Card being sent to the Queen and previous jubilee and coronation memories – social media request made for the memories and photographs.