



**MINUTES OF THE GROBY PARISH COUNCIL  
EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, LEICESTER ROAD, GROBY, LEICESTER  
ON 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2025 at 7 pm**

**Present:** Cllr D Hyde (Chair), Cllr L Emmerson, Cllr C Lincoln, Cllr C York

**Also present:** Parish Clerk  
Members of the Public - 0

**EV/063/24-25 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr N Clarke.  
It was **RESOLVED** to accept these apologies. Cllr L Collins was absent.

**EV/064/24-25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none.

**EV/065/24-25 MINUTES**

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Events Committee Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025 be approved and signed as a true record.

**EV/066/24-25 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was none.

**EV/067/24-25 VE DAY 80<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**i. VE Day 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

An updated Action Plan was provided at the meeting which included securing £300 grant funding from HBBC and confirmation of a flypast of 2 spitfires at 2.50pm on the day of the event. Further preparations for the VE Day 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event taking place on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May were discussed with outstanding actions agreed, allocated to members and **NOTED**. It was **AGREED** to try and source additional children’s activities and to continue to promote the event as widely as possible.

**ii. VE Day 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Beacon Lighting Event – Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

Details of the Beacon Lighting Event planned to take place on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025 were discussed and an update provided on previously agreed actions. Outstanding actions were discussed and the timetable for the event was **AGREED**:

<b>Time:</b>	<b>Activity:</b>
<b>6.15pm – 7.15pm</b>	Early Bird Menu of Fish and Chips or Vegetarian Option at the Stamford Arms along with entertainment from a 1940’s singer.
<b>7.45pm</b>	Walk up to St Philip & St James’ Church
<b>8.15pm – 9.15pm</b>	VE Day Church Service
<b>9.15pm</b>	Peal of Church bells
<b>9.30pm</b>	Lighting of the Beacon and Reading of the National VE Day 80 Tribute

**EV/068/24-25 RECOMMENDATIONS TO FULL COUNCIL**

Due to committed costs for both of the events totalling £800 it was **AGREED to RECOMMEND to Full Council** for approval of the release of a further £500 from the 2025-26 Events Budget to be held as a contingency fund for potential additional children’s activities at the event.

It was further **AGREED** to request for Councillors to volunteer to help on the day of the event and to be added to the rota to man the Parish Council stall.

**EV/069/24-25 NEXT MEETING**

The date and time of the next meeting to be held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.

Signed: .....  
Chairman

Date: .....