



This summer marks the 80th year since the D-Day landing on 6th June 1944, where 150,000 brave men landed on the beaches of Normandy leaving families at home not knowing if they would return.

This heroism represented a beacon of light for the world during that particular dark period of the war. With this in mind the D-Day 80 commemoration is based on the lighting of beacons across the nation at 9:15pm.

Cronton Parish Council have been working with the Royal British Legion, local Widnes (Army, Air and Sea) cadet services to mark this day in a fitting manner and to recognise our own local veteran who served during WW2. The range of activities being planned are as follows:

6:30pm will mark the start of the evening with Ringing Out For Peace from the church bell at Holy Family.

The day is also national fish and chips day which has been adopted by the national D-Day committee and we would encourage residents to participate in this dish from any one of our local eateries.

7:30pm Hall lane (between Woburn Drive and The Roundabout) will be closed in preparation for the parade from the cadet services.

8:00 -8:15 pm the Cadet services will honour the fallen and announce the nation proclamation at the war memorial.

8:45 pm The Cadet Services will parade from the Holy Family car park into the pasture and take up position to honour the lighting of the Parish beacon at 9:15pm by the Mayor of Halton. There will also be a reading of the nation's tribute which will take place immediately after the beacon is lit.

Residents are encouraged to view from the grass field section of the pasture staying behind the path.

9:30pm marks the end of the procession and organised evening commemoration, the roads will be re-opened at this time. We hope that all our residents will come out to witness the parade, enjoy time with friends and neighbours and make use of the local businesses.

We will require the support of volunteers to assist on the evening. If interested, please contact any member of the parish council.

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