

## HRH The King's Coronation

HRH King Charles III coronation takes place on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May.

The clerk has contacted the trustees of the Memorial Social Centre who have advised that they have no plans to co-ordinate a celebration event to mark the occasion to which the parish council might be invited to financially support.

At its February Meeting (**Min. 23.02.08**), the Estates Committee approved the purchase of a three or four seater bench to be located adjacent to the Cableway on Six Acres at a cost of not more than £550 plus VAT (to include the cost of laying slabs and installation).

Subsequent to its meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> February, the clerk received information from one supplier the parish has used before who will be supplying a 3 seater special coronation bench at a cost of £739.00 (including hard anchor kit).



The parish council has the relevant powers to provide park benches (power to maintain open spaces under Public Health Act 1875 s.164 and Open Spaces Act 1906, ss.9 and 10).

The additional funding for the upgrade to a bench to commemorate this important civic event (£250.00) could be drawn from the unspent budget of £745 (civic event).

**Recommendation:**

**To authorise a further £250 plus VAT to upgrade the purchase of a garden bench to be sited on Six Acres (Min EC.23.02.08 refers) to commemorate the coronation of King Charles III on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023.**