## **Queens Jubilee Celebrations**

The Queens Platinum Jubilee 2022 celebrations are scheduled to take place across the Country from Thursday 2 - Sunday 5 June 2022. To celebrate and commemorate this once in a lifetime event there are a number of events taking place across the Bourtons.

The Parish Council has sourced and ordered commemorative mugs. The parents of each child in the parish, under the age of 16, were given the opportunity to apply for a free mug for their children and older residents were given the opportunity to purchase mugs.

A group of residents from both Great and Little Bourton have been working together, along with the landlords of The Bell Inn, Great Bourton and The Dirt House, Little Bourton, to provide a range of events across both villages, which will hopefully appeal to residents of all ages. Events include The Bourtons Big Jubilee Lunch held at the Community Hall, Great Bourton and The Bourtons Jubilee Street Party held at the Dirt House, Little Bourton. There will also be a "Cake fit for a Queen" and jubilee "Best Dressed House" competitions, along with live music in both pubs. All events will be open to residents of the Bourtons, their families and friends, and also residents of the new Hanwell View Estate. The aim is to bring the residents of the Bourtons together and also include both pubs as they are at the centre of the village community. The events have been publicised in the Bourtons Broadsheet, with a pull-out guide/timetable, posters in both villages and pubs and via social media.

To fund the events, the Parish Council has applied for a grant from Cherwell District Council, in addition Helen Griffiths from Great Bourton has donated £200. The Community Hall in Great Bourton have kindly waived their normal hire fee for the The Bourtons Big Jubilee Lunch. Residents on the planning group have, not only given their time, but also donated prizes for the various competitions and the raffle. All proceeds from the raffle will be given to Katherine House Hospice.