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| Report No. TC00318Appendix: GAgenda Item No. 12 | CouncilDate of Meeting: 10TH January 2018 |
| **Oakham Town Council** |
| Report Author: Adam Lowe | Title: Councillor |
| Subject: Freeman Civic Event  |
| Strategic Aim No.1. Work with and in partnership with Rutland County Council and other partner groups.
2. Promote the town as an attractive place to visit and stay. (Through press coverage)
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On the 13th September 2017 the Council unanimously resolved to award the Freeman honour upon Sir Laurence at a joint Civic Event with Rutland County Council in 2018. [Minute 491/17 (i)]

A Working Group was set up to explore the costs of a civic event with a view to establishing a proposed additional joint expenditure with the County Council. [Minute 491/17 (ii)]

A meeting with the County Council Officers and subsequent work on their part have provided an indicative cost of a Civic event being around £2500, not including venue hire and some staff costs.

The County Council would absorb costs for the venue and associated staffing as they have direct control. It was suggested as the Town Council had already agreed to meet the cost of the scrolls, a contribution of £1000 would seem appropriate as a 50/50 split of the overall remaining expenditure.

Decisions:

1. The Council agree to allocate £1000 to the cost of the Civic Event.
2. The Council authorise the payment of £1000 to the County Council.
3. The Council authorise the Payment of £500 to Fattorini. [Minute 491/17 (iii)]