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<b>OAKHAM TOWN COUNCIL</b>
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<b>Report Author: Cllr Lowe</b>	<b>Title: Councillor</b>
<b>Subject: 75<sup>th</sup> VE Church Service</b>	
<b>Strategic Aim. Work with and in partnership with Rutland County Council and other partner groups.</b>	

May 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> is the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day. The whole country is being encouraged to engage in National, County and Community events. Rutland is no exception and Cllr Lowe is helping with the County arrangements which includes a Church Service and Parade on the Sunday. The Town Council events working group are also looking to host and manage a party on Cutts Close. There is also a paper from our Armed Forces Champion looking to support similar events on an ongoing basis. OTC received a large amount of support and compliments this year, thanks to their summer events and the support they gave by the use of Cutts Close to other groups.

This request is to underwrite the cost of elements of the Church Service. Having spoken to the Rev Stephen Griffiths the cost of a good quality service sheet and an advertising banner to promote the event is estimated to cost around £600. The Church and indeed other organisations or businesses could cover this cost. There is an opportunity though to create a lasting token as many people hold onto service books from these events as a souvenir and the Town Council logo could be incorporated.

The proposal is that OTC earmark £600 to go toward the cost of the Service Sheet and an advertising Banner, if it is less then it will cost less, the maximum suggested by Stephen was £600 and this would be for 400 copies.

- a) The Council allocate in the 2020 budget £600 for the 75<sup>th</sup> VE Service Booklet and advertising banner.