National recognition of the 80th commemoration of D-Day is being marked in Oakham by the LL or Rutland with a Civic Event at Oakham All Saints Church on the 9th of June.

National Planning is also encouraging Towns and communities to light a beacon on the 6th of June at 9:15 pm.

Oakham Town Council have a beacon and to mark the event it is being asked that the Council play our part by arranging the lighting of the beacon, which the LL of Rutland would be invited to light.

This requires the setting up of the Beacon, appropriate safety fencing being put in place and maybe the tannoy and tidying up. Cllr Lowe normally sets this up, it would be helpful to have Lee involved as Cllr Lowe will be assisting with a D Day commemoration concert in the Church prior to the beacon lighting. There is no specific expenditure involved, there is a request that Lee can work at the event to help set up, keep an eye on it and then tidy away.

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The band concert in the Church is free to attend and the people who attend this would be encouraged to attend the beacon lighting as it is being coordinated to work that way.

Proposal:

1. OTC recognise the national commemoration by preparing and allowing the lighting of the beacon in Cutts Close
2. OTC handy man, Lee, is asked to help set up, watch over the event, and help tidy up. (That would be from about 4pm to 10pm, time off during the week is suggested)