

DOCKING PARISH COUNCIL

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Operation London Bridge Policy

Throughout the country there is one event which will affect the whole community, from the largest city to the smallest hamlet. With the date of this event still unknown the Parish Council need to be prepared.

The event is Operation London Bridge – the code name given to the passing of HM Queen Elizabeth the Second.

Following her departing and the official announcement from Buckingham Palace, a period of ten days state mourning will follow. D Day being the death and D10 the date of the full state funeral in Westminster Abbey, unless D10 falls on a Sunday, then the funeral will be held on the D11 Monday.

In recognition of 'Operation London Bridge' – Docking Parish Council have adopted the below procedures:

- A condolence book will be put in place in St Mary Church, Docking for those wishing to leave any messages. Loose pages will be taken to Docking House, Care Home and Docking Primary School for messages to be written and these will be added to the condolence book. This will then be stored in Norfolk archives and a letter sent to the Private Secretary at Buckingham Palace to acknowledge this.
- The Chairman will prepare suitable wording which will be posted on the Parish Council website
- Any events arranged by the Parish Council during the 10 day mourning period are subject to be cancelled with a view to re-arrange.
- A list of any changes in events and details on what the Parish Council will undertake during this period will be advertised on the website
- The date of the State Funeral will be a Public Holiday, unless the date falls on a Saturday.

A very similar process should be followed for the death of HRH Duke of Edinburgh.

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