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Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee – Saturday 4th June: Thankfully the weather played ball and the event went without a hitch and was well attended – that's everything you can ask for... There were so many people involved that I'm certain I won't capture everyone in the list of thank you's, so please accept my apologies in advance. Thank you to the following councillors for making it happen: Jayne Peverell, Robert Tickle, John Calver, Pat Pedersen, Jonathan Robinson and Bob Muller. Thanks to Lizzie and Andy from The Oakley Arms, Mark and Sharron for the music, Catherine Elworthy for the beautiful wreath, Jane Charsley and the Cakemakers (sounds like an 1980s pop group), the Scouts for the BBQ, The Calvados Society, Andrew from Harrold Butchers, Harrold Fire Service, and Harrold schoolkids for creating the shields.

Lower Green: Most of the works has now been carried out at the Lower Green to improve the look of it for residents and to try to reduce anti-social behaviour by opening it up. New hedging will be planted after the summer and we'll aim to stay on top of the growth down there. Please could we ask for consideration for the neighbouring properties by keeping noise levels down.

Memorial trees: The parish council approved a plan for planting new trees in various spots across the village. The council then decided to allow residents to part-fund any of the trees as a memorial (cost of £150 plus the cost of the plaque). I wrote about these in the previous edition and some trees have now been allocated as memorials. However, we still have two spots at the entrance to Meadway available; please contact the Clerk if you're interested in discussing this. Planting is expected in the autumn to give them the best chance of survival.

Uplighters: The broken uplighters at The Buttermarket have now been replaced and we've extended the lighting to the war memorial, which used to sit in darkness of an evening.

Lych gate repair: Repairing the lych gate at St Peter's church is the next job on the list and we're hoping that will be done over the summer. Some of the timbers have started to rot and we're taking the precaution of getting the work done sooner rather than later.

Grants: A reminder that there are grants available this year for local groups. The application process is very simple and there is a short form on our website (click the button on the homepage). Or you can email to request it.

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The next council meeting dates are: 14th September and 12th October 2022 in the Harrold Centre at 7.30pm. There is no August meeting due to the holiday period. All are welcome to attend – there is a public open session at the start of every meeting.

