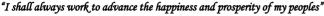
## Long To Reign Over Us

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II celebrates 60 years as British Sovereign this year. With the exception of Queen Victoria, who reigned for 63 years, she is the longest-serving monarch, acknowledged worldwide for the duties she has performed with grace and dignity.

Elizabeth II has lived through the Abdication, the Blitz and World War Two, the swinging sixties, the Cold War and the nuclear threat and the Fall of the Berlin Wall. She has known 11 US Presidents including JFK and Ronald Reagan, and other world leaders like President Mandela and Pope John XXII. Her Prime Ministers have ranged from Winston Churchill to Margaret Thatcher from Tony Blair to David Cameron. Her own family experiences, have been lived in the glare of tabloid headlines. More than 2 billion people watched the wedding of her grandson Prince William to Catherine Middleton in 2011, shortly before she made the first State Visit to Ireland by a British monarch for 100 years. Our world has changed more in her lifetime than in any of her predecessors. Through all of this the Queen has remained a calm presence at the centre, earning the respect of monarchists and republicans alike. From day to day she has exercised a pivotal role at the centre of state. Under her watchful eye, the monarchy has been thoroughly modernized and made as fit for purpose in the twenty-first century as it was when she came to the throne and a 'new Elizabethan age' was ushered in.



On 8th February 1952, two days after the death of her father King George VI, the new monarch read an Official Proclamation - in it she said:



Sixty years later, in the Queen's own message, released on the 6th of February, Her Majesty said:



"As I mark sixty years as your Queen, I dedicate myself anew to your service.

I hope that we will all be reminded of the power of togetherness and the convening strengths of family, friendship and good neighbourliness."



## Jubilation

Jubilation draws upon the superb example of previous special events. It is driven by the enthusiasm and creative brilliance that thrives in these parts. All of our RODSEC events have been a team effort. Many amazing people have been working very hard for a long time now. This goes to show that our village has not lost its zest for these royal occasions. There are events and displays for all ages and tastes. The proposed Diamond Jubilee legacy of a community orchard, close to the site of the old beacon, will provide a tasty, long-term reminder of shared community spirit in Rolleston on Dove.

We are grateful to all those who have made available their spaces, places and expertise, this includes St Mary's Church, Rolleston Methodist Chapel, Doveside WI, Rolleston WI, Rolleston Club, Rolleston Cricket Club, Rolleston Transport Festival Committee and Rolleston on Dove Parish Council

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