

# Milborne St Andrew Parish Council

## Flagpole Policy

This policy sets the procedure for erecting flags.

This policy includes annual dates; others will be more flexible in their nature due to natural rhythm of the calendar and lunar cycle.

### Introduction

**Milborne St Andrew Parish Council** recognises that a flag can be flown could improve community togetherness, closeness, and friendship, thus reducing stress and anxiety. Therefore, the Parish Council wishes to support its community to achieve a collective balance between work and life as a supportive Local Authority.

### Location

The Parish Council is committed to providing a place to reflect and remember, and that the community memorial stone remains a tranquil, peaceful area for such occasions.

The Memorial Stone is located on The Causeway.

### The Flag Master

The Parish Council have elected a "Flag Master" to maintain and oversee all flag duties.

### Official Flag Days

<b>10<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Commonwealth Day</b>	<b>Union Jack Flag</b>
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> April</b>	<b>St George's Day</b>	<b>George Cross</b>
<b>01<sup>st</sup> June</b>	<b>St Wite Day</b>	<b>Dorset Flag</b>
<b>14<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>King Charles III Birthday</b>	<b>Union Jack</b>
<b>Second Sunday of every November</b>		<b>Remembrance Sunday      Union Jack</b>

### Unofficial Flag Days

It is recognised that individuals may wish to fly flags for other reasons.

Each request must be made to the flag master and must be of National or Sovereign significance.

In the event that this is approved, the individual requesting the flag will bear the cost of the flag.

### Tribute to the passing of Milborne St Andrew residents past and present

At the request of the family, the Dorset flag will be flown at half mast for a period not exceeding one calendar week.

**Flags to be Used**

Union Jack	Red, White & Blue
George Cross	Red & White
Dorset Flag	Yellow, White & Red

**Further information**

We hope this policy gives clear clarification and transparency on how the village flagpole will be used and for which events. The Flag Master holds the right to reject any flags other than those stated in this policy due to the potential to cause discomfort and/or discrimination towards others.

Any persons treating the flagpole with disrespect or damaging the flagpole will be reported to the local authorities.