



**THE D-DAY STORY**  
PORTSMOUTH

# D-Day 75

## Information for users of Southsea Common

Portsmouth will be hosting the UK's national commemorations for D-Day 75 on Wednesday 5 June, as part of a series of commemorative and celebratory events from 5-9 June.

The national commemorative event, which is being organised by the Ministry of Defence on behalf of HM Government and with the Royal British Legion, will be attended by veterans and invited guests, including heads of state. As you would expect, security will be high and will include a perimeter fence around the event site. This will mean some parts of Southsea Common will not be accessible from 20 May, while the site is built and secured, until after the national events have finished and the security measures have been removed.

There will also be parking restrictions and road closures around the event. More information for local residents and businesses will be available at [www.portsmouth.gov.uk/d-day75](http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/d-day75) as details are confirmed. A taste of the event programme from 5-9 June can be found on the reverse, and more details are at [www.visitportsmouth.co.uk](http://www.visitportsmouth.co.uk)

If you have any questions and you can't find the information online, you can call us on 023 9268 8020, and we will be happy to help.

Although we will do everything possible to keep disruption to a minimum for everyone who lives around and uses Southsea Common and the seafront, some restrictions are inevitable. The patience and understanding of the local community while Portsmouth plays its part in this historic occasion is very much appreciated.

# Portsmouth will be the focal point of national commemorations for D-Day 75

## Wednesday 5 June

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE EVENT

Portsmouth will host the UK's national commemoration event, for veterans and invited guests, including heads of state. There will be high security but the public can watch on big screens on Southsea Common. Later in the afternoon/evening, the Red Arrows will perform a flypast and MV Boudicca will depart from the Port, carrying 300 D-Day veterans to Normandy, escorted by the Royal Navy.

## Thursday 6 June

PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL EVENT

**All day:** live coverage of D-Day 75 events in Normandy, big screen, Southsea Common

**10:45am:** D-Day 75 Remembrance Service, D-Day Stone, opposite South Parade Pier

## Friday 7 June

PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL EVENT

**10:30am:** Portsmouth Music Hub performance main stage, Southsea Common

**5pm onwards:** Military Band Concert, followed by a performance by the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra and a specially formed young person's choir, main stage, Southsea Common

**7pm:** open air cinema screening of a family film, big screen, Southsea Common

## Saturday 8 June

PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL EVENT

**All day:** Portsmouth Revival Festival, including 1940s music and dancing, arena displays, military and vintage vehicles, vintage fairground and market, and a flypast by the Red Arrows in the afternoon

**7:30pm:** Sunset Concert for Heroes, and then fireworks around 10pm

## Sunday 9 June

PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL EVENT

**All day:** Portsmouth Revival Festival, including 1940s music and dancing, arena displays, military and vintage vehicles, vintage fairground and market

These details were correct at the time of going to print but may be subject to change.

An up-to-date event guide can be found on at [www.visitportsmouth.co.uk/d-day-75](http://www.visitportsmouth.co.uk/d-day-75)

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