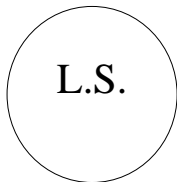


Legal Notice No. 2 of 2024

ASCENSION ISLAND



CURRENCY (ASCENSION) ORDINANCE, 2009

PROCLAMATION

In the Name of His Majesty Charles III, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and His other Realms and Territories King, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

By His Excellency
Nigel Phillips CBE
Governor

WHEREAS it is fitting that coins to commemorate the King Charles III Maundy Set 2023 designs should be issued under the provisions of section 4(1) of the Currency (Ascension) Ordinance, 2009, which said coins shall be legal tender in Ascension.

AND WHEREAS it is within the province of the Governor to specify the denomination, weight, form and design and composition of coins to be made and issued, by Proclamation and with the approval of the Secretary of State.

NOW THEREFORE, I, the Governor of Ascension, acting in accordance with the provisions of section 4(2) of the Ordinance, and with the approval of the Secretary of State, do hereby order and specify for Ascension the following coins:

AB 4 No.2 Commemorative Coins King Charles III Maundy Set 2023

Issue Code	Face Value	Alloy	Quality	Diameter	Gross Weight	Royalty	Maximum Mintage
KCIHMS23	One Pence	Silver	Proof*	11.15mm	0.47g	£0.25	499
KCIHMS23	Two Pence	Silver	Proof*	13.44mm	0.94g	£0.35	499
KCIHMS23	Three Pence	Silver	Proof*	16.26mm	1.41g	£0.50	499
KCIHMS23	Four Pence	Silver	Proof*	17.63mm	1.88g	£0.75	499
KCIHMS23	One Pence	Gold	Proof*	11.15mm	1g	£0.75	499
KCIHMS23	Two Pence	Gold	Proof*	13.44mm	2g	£1.50	499
KCIHMS23	Three Pence	Gold	Proof*	16.26mm	3g	£2.25	499
KCIHMS23	Four Pence	Gold	Proof*	17.63mm	4g	£3.00	499
KCIHMS23	One Pence	Platinum	Proof*	11.15mm	1g	£0.75	499
KCIHMS23	Two Pence	Platinum	Proof*	13.44mm	2g	£1.50	499
KCIHMS23	Three Pence	Platinum	Proof*	16.26mm	3g	£2.25	499
KCIHMS23	Four Pence	Platinum	Proof*	17.63mm	4g	£3.00	499

The giving of Maundy Money to the elderly in an annual ceremony, dates back many centuries. The modern practice of relating the number of recipients to the age of the Monarch was first observed by Henry IV, and the annual ceremony, as we know it today, originated during the reign of Charles II when he handed over undated hammered coins in 1662. The denominations of these specially struck coins – predominantly in silver and dated from 1670 onwards - were a four penny, three penny, two penny and one penny piece, and to this day have changed very little in appearance. The Royal Maundy service of modern times usually takes place every Maundy Thursday.

This ceremony has always been of great significance and importance to the Royal Family, and in tribute to our new Monarch, King Charles III, we have based these coins on the original 1670 Maundy coins of Charles II, where his initial ‘C’ was used to denote each of the four denominations. We have re-created these designs using the initial ‘C’, for King Charles III, thereby representing the value of the coin.

Design 1 – The initial ‘C’ on the reverse design, denoting the denomination ‘One Penny’

Design 2 – Two initials ‘C’ on the reverse design, denoting the denomination ‘Two Penny’

Design 3 – Three initials ‘C’ on the reverse design, denoting the denomination ‘Three Penny’

Design 4 – Four initials ‘C’ on the reverse design, denoting the denomination ‘Four Penny’

The Obverse design – Portrait of His Majesty King Charles III by renowned numismatic artist, Jody Clark.

Given under my hand the public seal of St Helena, at the Castle, Jamestown, this 9th day of May 2024.

GOD SAVE THE KING!