World War 1 Commemoration

Notes of WW1 Meeting held on 6 September 2018 in Wolvey Baptist Chapel

Present: Paul Delargey (Chairman); David Alford, Carol Court, Andrew Edwards, Jas Guraya, John Hardman, Mary Hardman, Richard Hawcutt, John Hawkins, Sharon Tunnicliffe, Adrian Warwick and Tony White

In attendance: Jackie Essex (Parish Clerk)

Apologies: Geoff Lewis, Pauline Russell

Geoff Lewis had sent an email informing the group that the display boards required for the WW1 exhibition, which had been borrowed in the past from Coventry University, would not be available. The History Group would require 16 or 17 A1 table top boards. These could be hired at a cost of approx £200. Alternatively, three packs of six boards (18 in total) could be purchased at a cost of £400 - £600. As the parish council had made the sum of £1,500 available for this event, the Clerk would ask Geoff to obtain quotes for the purchase of three packs of suitable display boards which would be considered by Wolvey Parish Council at its meeting on 17 September.

The wording for the commemoration plaque for Wolvey Village Hall was circulated. A quote for a 18" x 24" plaque made from stone had been obtained from a local stonemason for the sum of £620. The plaque would be 30mm in depth and the lettering would be in gold. The stonemason had confirmed that he could make the plaque in time for the event. Councillor Hawcutt would obtain another quote for the plaque. The quotes would be reported to the parish council meeting on 17 September.

Paul Delargey reported that Bramcote Barracks and Army Cadets would be attending their own events.

Jas Guraya had contacted Nuneaton Museum, the Herbert Art Gallery and Coventry Library for any material/resource packs but resources were limited.

Saturday 10 November

WW1 exhibition in Wolvey Village Hall – History Group
Children's fancy dress – Jas Guraya and Sharon Tunnicliffe to arrange
Display of Year 6 children's work – Sharon Tunnicliffe to arrange
Refreshments in Wolvey Village Hall – Jas Guraya and Paul Delargey to arrange catering for approx. 100 people, including the purchase of platters of sandwiches, cakes etc.

Sunday 11 November

Adrian Warwick had discussed the following arrangements for the village march with Rev Jonny Vaughan:

10.40am – assemble outside St John the Baptist Church

10.45am – march to Wolvey Village Hall, along School Lane and Wolds Lane.

10.50am – arrive at Wolvey Village Hall

Due to protocol, the Royal British Legion banner could not be removed from the Church. Andrew Edwards agreed to investigate the availability of an alternative flag e.g. Cross of Nails flag.

The march would be led by David Alford, representing the Royal British Legion, followed by representatives from the Church and Baptist Chapel, parish councillors, representatives from village groups/organisations and villagers. School children, including children from Monks Kirby, would be invited to join in the march.

The Clerk would notify PCSO Sharon Bailee-Crabtree of the march route.

The Beacon was to be lit on Sunday 11 November at 7.00pm at Wolvey Playing Fields. John Hawkins requested wood etc. to burn. John Hawkins and Adrian Warwick would produce a Risk Assessment.

Paul Delargey and Adrian Warwick would liaise on the production of A5 size fliers and an article for The Link to promote the event.

Paul Delargey, Richard Hawcutt and Adrian Warwick would look at producing six banners for promoting the event around the village.

David Alford would arrange for Royal British Legion Collection boxes for donations.

John Hardman agreed to ask Ted and Ruth Buswell for permission to use the red, white and blue bunting.

Next Meeting – Thursday 11 October 2018 at 7.00pm at Wolvey Baptist Chapel