

ABERGAVENNY TOWN COUNCIL

PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2023

REMEMBRANCE PARADE REPORT

1. PURPOSE

1.1 To report back to ATC on the event held on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 The Remembrance Parade in 2021 was very well attended by both organisations and the public which brought up a few concerns over numbers and how to manage it.

2.2 The 2022 Event was planned out in conjunction with the new Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary of the growing RBL and Veterans membership with a small working group from this committee.

2.3 Two planning meetings enabled various tasks to be delegated to spread the load between ourselves and the RBL.

2.4 Two Councillors volunteered to assist on the day, to assist Matt Lane with the set-up of the PA equipment, and implement road closures between 8am and 1pm. Issue reported on the reopening as vehicles attempted to park in the layby where the PA equipment was still being packed away.

2.5 Electricity was provided by Gwagle Office Services (Owen Davies).

2.6 St Johns Ambulance were in attendance in a professional capacity courtesy of RBL and their links with the local St Johns Ambulance.

2.7 2 volunteers from Abergavenny Rotary assisted with handing out of hymn sheets around the War Memorial.

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3. PROPOSAL

3.1 Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023 is the date for this year's parade.

3.2 The Town Clerk would like confirmation from the three Councillors who formed the sub committee for last year's event if they wish to remain in place for this year's planning sub committee. These were Cllrs George, Powell and Wilde.

3.3 Road Closures need to be in place earlier again to enable the permission to be sought for the closure of the A40, so an initial planning meeting is advised to be held as soon as possible to put dates in diaries for all the applications and risk assessments to be completed and submitted.

4. RECOMMENDATION

4.1 To contact the RBL and seek a suitable date and time for the initial planning meeting to be held.

4.2 To submit road closure applications for the town centre and A40 no later than 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023.

4.3 To book the services of DJ Matt Lane to provide the PA for the service.

4.4 To request access and use of the electricity supply from Gwagle via Owen Davies.

4.5 To book the access for the Town Hall with MCC Market Service.