

## Report from Cllr Alison Glazebrook to Lowdham Parish Council on 04 October 2018

### WWI CENTENARY

Cllr Glazebrook advised that the WWI Centenary committee held another meeting on 20 September 2018 at which the following items were discussed and taken forward:

- Cllr Glazebrook has looked at getting banners put on lamp posts because the poppies were sold out, but the length of time to get approval from NCC Highways to put up banners because of all the legalities and checks involved wouldn't allow sufficient time before Remembrance Sunday so the committee then decided against the idea. Consequently, Cllr Glazebrook contacted the British Legion who advised that they were now receiving stocks of lamp post poppies intermittently and it was the luck of the draw as to whether or not they had some in stock at the time of phoning. 19 poppies have subsequently been ordered.
- 61 small wooden crosses have also been purchased from the British Legion. The names of the soldiers will be written on them and they will be placed in the ground around the War Memorial prior to the Remembrance Day service.
- 100 union jack hand waving flags have been purchased for the parade from the War Memorial to church.
- Richard Covill has been asked to ensure that the grass around the War Memorial is cut and the hedge tidied during the week leading up to Remembrance Sunday.
- The Clerk was also instructed to ask Richard Covill to prune back the tree which is overhanging the War Memorial. The Clerk advised that Richard is unfortunately unable to undertake this work. Cllr Glazebrook to ask Geoff Burton if this is a task he could do.
- The Clerk was asked to investigate the feasibility of obtaining funding to get the War Memorial cleaned prior to Remembrance Sunday. The Clerk advised that, due to the length of time it takes to get funding, this would not be a suitable option. He will look to apply for funding in time for Remembrance Sunday 2019.
- Trevor Barber has repaired the 'Garden of Remembrance' sign.
- The Parochial Church Council has agreed to provide refreshments in church after the Remembrance Sunday service. They have also applied for 10 free silhouettes of soldiers under the 'There, but not there' scheme. The closing date for applications was 1 October 2018 and they should receive the outcome of their application within 2 weeks.
- Cllr Glazebrook has investigated the legalities of showing film clips from WWI as part of the church service, but the licences to do this range from £40 to £420 so the WWI Centenary committee decided not to pursue this option. Consequently, information about the soldiers will be placed on the display boards. Cllr Glazebrook is currently preparing the documentation for the display and will send to Sean Allison from Portcullis Digital who has kindly agreed to design and print the display for free.
- Sean Allison has also designed the advert for the event for the October and November Parish Magazines and the October Bramley newspaper. He is also in the process of designing and printing posters to put up around the village, on the Parish Council website and Facebook page.
- Cllr Glazebrook and Simon Jones, Curate at St Mary's church, are currently preparing the contents for a commemorative programme. Sean Allison will also design and print this free of charge.
- Cllr Knowles is arranging a suitable lighting display in church.
- Nicola Finn has kindly volunteered to play the 'Last post', etc on her cornet at the War Memorial and in church.

Cllr Hunt advised that he and Cllr Coles had viewed the War Memorial and thought the footpath could do with some more pea gravel as it was sparse in places. Cllr Hunt has obtained a quote for pea gravel of £114. He also advised that the grass adjacent to the gravel could do with re-edging. All Cllrs agreed to these recommendations. Cllrs Hunt, Coles and Mawby volunteered to undertake the work. **END**