

Centenary End of Great War Working Group	16 January 2018
Corporate Policy and Resources Committee For decision	

Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)	
Strategic Theme	Leadership and Champion
Outcome	Provide Civic Leadership
Lead Officer	Director of Corporate Services
Cost: (If applicable)	Est £3,000

1.0 Report of Meeting No 2. held 5th December 2017

The notes of the meeting are attached at Appendix A, **recommended** for adoption.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that

- (i) Council makes budgetary provision of £3,000 for the purchase of and arrangements for installation of Beacons on 11th November 2018;
- (ii) the Working Group meets to consider and make recommendation on a budgetary provision for the associated events organised by Royal British Legion.

**CORPORATE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE
CENTENARY END OF GREAT WAR WORKING GROUP
MEETING NO. 2 – 5th December 2017**

Report of meeting No 2 held in the Bannview Committee Room on Tuesday 5th December 2017 at 7.00 pm.

Present: Councillors: Clarke, Hillis, Knight-McQuillan

Apologies: Alderman Hickey, Councillor Mc Candless

In attendance: Director of Corporate Services (DCS)
Democratic and Central Services Manager (DCSM)

Royal British Legion: J McCurdy, Royal British Legion, Ballycastle Branch
M McLaughlin & S McClements, Royal British Legion, Ballymoney Branch
B Mills, Royal British Legion, Coleraine Branch
K McMichael, Royal British Legion, Limavady Branch

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Apologies were recorded for Alderman Hickey and Councillor Mc Candless

In the absence of the Chair, Councillor Clarke assumed the Chair.

Councillor Clarke welcomed the representatives from the four Royal British Legion (RBL) branches to the meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

3. UPDATE FROM PREVIOUS MEETING HELD 7 NOVEMBER 2017

Councillor Clarke advised that following the Notice of Motion previously agreed, the working group had been set up to take forward planning for the National Beacons of Light tribute on 11th November 2018.

He advised that the purpose of the meeting was to begin engagement with the RBL as a key stakeholder and key organiser of events. Council wishes to play a constructive part in the co-ordination and delivery of events. Councillor

Clarke advised that a terms of reference had been agreed for the working group and a copy was circulated to those in attendance.

4. DISCUSSION

Discussion ensued on plans by the RBL to commemorate the Centenary.

The working group agreed the following:-

- The RBL Representatives agreed to forward details of their plans to mark the Centenary and an outline Programme of Events to the Democratic and Central Services Manager. These will be presented at the Working Group's next meeting in February, with a recommendation to Committee following the meeting
- to invite other smaller RBL groups in the four legacy areas to events and Group 10 RBL would co-ordinate this
- save the dates with Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenants and High Sheriffs
- that the events should be as inclusive as possible and involve a wide range of organisations including Churches, Youth Groups and Schools
- RBLs to provide list of organisations to Council for issue of invitations
- that Council leads and makes arrangements for the Beacon lighting in the four areas, including purchase of Beacons and agreeing suitable locations.

The date of the next meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday 6th February 2018, 7 PM.

The meeting closed at 8.05 PM.