

WW1 Commemorations 2018

The Council notes that 2018 will mark 100 years since the ceasing of the hostilities in the Great War. Whilst all those that fought in the war have sadly now passed away and those who lived through it are now few in number, it is vital we continue to remember those that died in WW1 and those that have subsequently died in defence of our nation, and to educate people for the future. The Council would therefore like to ensure that a programme of activities take place across York which will enable the residents of York to express their appreciation to all who sacrificed so much during that conflict.

The key objectives for this will be to:

- i. Fully reflect the:
 - The horrors of war, including the suffering caused by the 37 million military and civilian casualties during the First World War;
 - A diversity of perspectives on the causes and consequences of the war;
 - A commitment to learn the lessons of the past to help build peace in the future.
- ii. To commemorate the 100 year milestone

The Council is looking to develop and promote a programme of events commencing on Monday 1st October 2018 and culminating on Sunday 11 November 2018.

The event organiser will be required to:

- Develop a programme in consultation with partner organisations, faith groups and other interested parties
- Liaise with businesses and other civil society organisations in York to ensure contribution to the programme
- Liaise with Council departments as appropriate to develop the programme
- Produce a printed programme of events and a discrete web based programme
- Provide event management for any directly delivered components of the programme including risk assessment, liaison with the Safety Advisory Group, etc.

Elements of the programme that would be expected:

A military contribution: This would include but not limited to a military parade with tri-service representation as part of the Remembrance Sunday Procession.

A business contribution: Activities and one off events from a range of organisations that demonstrate appreciation of those who sacrificed so much during that conflict and its effect on the city and its residents.

A faith sector contribution: For example, a weekly reading from the memorial book.

A civic contribution: This would include but not be limited to a special exhibition /event in the Mansion House throughout the period and the Remembrance Sunday Procession, laying of wreaths and attendance at the Remembrance Service at York Minster on 11 November 2018.

The Council's maximum budget for the development and promotion of a programme of events is £10k.