

SOUTH SWINDON PARISH COUNCIL

World War 1 Working Party

Full Council – 17 July 2018

1. Introduction

The World War 1(WW1) Working Party met on 27 June 2018 and this report contains the recommendations of the meeting.

2. Report Details

- 2.1** The Working Party agreed the exact location of the memorial in GWR Park. Councillors made some changes and the design Brief for the Memorial was agreed. The brief would be placed on the website, a press release to the Swindon Adver, through the Museum and the Open Studios through Cllr Milner-Barry.
- 2.2** The painting of the underpass to Coate Water had been approved by Swindon Borough Council. Cllr C Watts had said that a school would be interested in painting a mural and the Clerk would find out more and make the arrangements.
- 2.3** The Clerk had looked into adverts on buses, but it was difficult and too expensive. It was agreed not to go forward with this idea.
- 2.4** The Clerk had not yet seen the person that made the poppies, but it was thought that this might be difficult to arrange given the time scale and the permissions that would be needed.
- 2.5** The Clerk had tried to book the corridor at Central Library, but it was proving difficult. Mr Sutton was already staging an event at Radnor Street Chapel in October and it was agreed to support this and look at providing a display at Old Town Library.
- 2.6** The Working Party considered a request to sponsor an event to mark the 100 years Centenary being staged by the Rotary Club. Councillors did not feel that this was the type of event that they would like to sponsor.
- 2.7** A quote of £500 had been received to provide a separate website for the WW1 information which included hosting for a year. There was no reason why the website could not remain after a year for a very small price. It was agreed that the website should be completed by the end of August 2018 in order that schools could use it as a resource from September 2018. Mr Sutton would be asked to supply the information and the loading of the website would be done in the office.
- 2.8** It was agreed that photos of local people should be displayed in Queens Park and Cllr S Pajak had spoken to the staff in the park who had said it would be possible. Mark Sutton would be asked for photographs and the Clerk would find out prices to have them blown up and laminated.
- 2.9** The Clerk was asked to order 2 wreaths, one for the main service and the other for the ceremony at Radnor Street Cemetery.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1** That the Parish Council notes the report of the WW1 Working Party.