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BATTLE'S OVER

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Sunday 11 November 2018 marks one hundred years since the end of The Great War. This year we will be joining the rest of the country in marking this significant event by lighting the beacon at Victoria Pleasure Ground.

The day starts with a short ceremony at the Eugene Seghars Memorial in the gardens at the Highlands Inn at 10.50am. The main ceremony will take place at Holy Cross Church. A parade of the local uniformed groups will march up the High Street for the Service of Remembrance at Holy Cross Church, starting at 3pm. This will be followed by a wreath laying, a two minutes silence and parade back to the Civic Centre.

In the evening we will be gathering at Victoria Pleasure Ground. At 6.55pm the last post will be sounded and then, along with the rest of the country, the beacon



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will be lit at 7pm. The bells of Holy Cross Church will ring out at 7.05pm. To help keep the chills at bay refreshments will be available.

We hope that you will join us at this event, to remember those men and women who gave their lives then, and also those we have lost and who have suffered in subsequent conflicts.

Never forget those who "Gave Their Today for our Tomorrow" is one of the many reasons to "Wear your Poppy with Pride." We hope you will do so again this year.

We wish to express our gratitude to the following organisations for their help and support:

- Uckfield Bonfire and Carnival Society
- Uckfield Performance Ensemble
- Extreme Hire (Hailsham)
- St John Ambulance (Ringmer)

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GRANT AWARDEES 2018

Uckfield and District Twinning Association

£450 awarded To help the association provide accommodation, hospitality and an interesting range of visits when visitors from twin town of Arques-la-Bataille come to Uckfield in early summer 2018.

First Field Responders

£1,000 awarded for their on-going requirement for responder equipment.

“ **This means that the team of Community First Responders can have additional equipment and training aids for interactive demonstrations to the local population. This will offer the best possible guidance to enable the public to make a real contribution in a medical emergency situation. We are most grateful to the Council for their ongoing support.**”



2530 RAFAL (Uckfield)

£1,000 awarded to buy and install a firing range for

the improvement of the air cadet experience.

Uckfield Theatre Guild

£800 awarded to purchase additional equipment to enhance the quality of their productions, specifically an additional two wireless microphones (and receivers) to deliver better sound of performance.



Maresfield Lawn Tennis Club

£1,000 awarded to part-fund the construction of a touchtennis court at the club.

Ditch the Slippers

£250 awarded – to support professional fees to Yoga and Extend teachers, and support transport costs enabling Uckfield people to access activities run in Crowborough.

Manor Park and Hempstead Fields Residents' Association

£475 awarded to contribute to purchasing and installing a 'lest we forget' remembrance bench seat to be erected adjacent to the bus stop outside Streatfield house in Southview drive

Uckfield Festival Association

£4,000 awarded to offset the cost of the annual festival in 2019, in particular the children's parade and insurance.



Brighter Uckfield Campaign

£1,000 awarded to help fund ongoing projects and general management of litter in the town.

Framfield & Blackboys Monday Club

£500 awarded to help pay in 2019 for employers liability insurance and also to help pay towards one of their outings.

Uckfield (Holy Cross) Choral Society

£500 awarded to reimburse Uckfield Brass Band for the cost of a band score of 'The Armed Man' for remembrance..

Family Support Work

£750 awarded to fund essential holiday activities for vulnerable families in Uckfield.

Uckfield College Counselling Service

£2,000 awarded to support the funding of the service, despite ongoing budgetary cuts to education.

GRANT AWARDEES 2018

The Royal British Legion

£210 awarded to cover the cost of hiring the Ashdown Room and Weald Hall for the three Saturdays of remembrance-tide.



New Town Action Group

£250 awarded towards servicing the mower and petrol for it in order to help keep the area maintained.

Uckfield Millennium Green Trust

£450 awarded for repair works to entrance gates at the Ridgewood Village hall entrance to the site.

“ **This grant means that the trust can carry out essential repairs to one of our disability-rated entrance gates; an expenditure that would otherwise challenge our very limited budget**”

Uckfield & District Preservation Society



£1,996 awarded to help pay for the building insurance of this Town Council owned Grade II listed building.

Uckfield Bonfire and Carnival Society

£4,000 awarded to assist with the cost of annual insurance, bands and dancers for the procession, hire of venues and first aid cover.

The Uckfield Housebound and Friendship Club

£500 awarded as a contribution towards the running of two minibuses and help in the costs for lunch and tea.

“ **Thank you for the grant which is really appreciated by our members. It will go towards the transport costs for collecting the members from their home to the venue. Without your support we would find it difficult to raise the funds required to do this.**”

East Sussex Association of the Blind and Partially Sighted People – Uckfield Social Group

£200 awarded to help with the costs of providing lunch and tea outings for members

“ **This grant means we can continue to provide social activities for the blind and partially-sighted community and so they can enjoy their trips for afternoon tea and their annual Christmas lunch.**”

Age Concern Uckfield and District

£500 awarded to pay expenses of volunteer drivers. Also to pay for general running costs of organisation ie annual audit, advertising/marketing and the hire of meeting venues.

Tunbridge Wells & District Samaritans

£200 awarded as an important contribution towards their annual running costs.

Uckfield FM

£2,500 awarded to provide the funding of the necessary broadcasting licences to allow them to broadcast.

LAST MONTH IN YOUR COUNCIL

The Uckfield Revival on Saturday 6 October was a great celebration of the motor industry with over 100 classic vehicles joining the parade through the town and display in Luxford Field. It was a cold day, with a possible chance of rain, so we were delighted to receive this level of turnout. Thank you to everyone who joined us and to the spectators who watched the vehicles travel through the High Street. Your support was much appreciated!



General Purposes Committee

The first meeting to fall in October was that of the General Purposes Committee. Members considered the draft fees and charges for room hire rates in the Civic Centre, Foresters Hall

and pavilions, and put forward ideas of new initiatives for 2019/20. This included updating the Town Council's booking system, establishing a building maintenance programme for 2019/20, and carrying out a five year asset valuation report of the Town Council's buildings. Also considered were the benefits of a portable speed indicator device which could be placed at agreed locations around the town.

Environment and Leisure Committee

Members of Environment and Leisure Committee agreed the 10 locations of biodegradable dog bag dispensers as part of a new scheme within the town. There will be one in each of the main recreation grounds, including the two nature reserves.

Members also agreed to adopt a Drone Code of Practice within its open spaces, to advise those using drones for leisure purposes of the regulations and considerations when flying drones near to properties or in public open spaces.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Full Council agendas and minutes can be seen at Uckfield Library. If you wish to ask a question at a meeting, on items

on the agenda, it is advisable to submit your question beforehand to allow a full response to be given at the meeting.

5 NOVEMBER	– GENERAL PURPOSES
12 NOVEMBER	– ENVIRONMENT AND LEISURE
19 NOVEMBER	– PLANS
3 DECEMBER	– BUDGET MEETING
10 DECEMBER	– PLANS

All questions should be directed to the Town Clerk - admin@uckfieldtc.gov.uk

COMING NEXT MONTH

- Mayor's message
- Calendar Competition winners
- Restaurant re-opening

