LESP Guidance note

Remembrance Events - November 2020, Royal British Legion Policy & Covid-19 information for organisers

In August 2020, The Royal British Legion (TRBL) implemented a new policy regarding Remembrance Parades.

Following an incident in 2018, the new policy states that members of TRBL cannot deploy traffic management / place out signs for parades on the public highway and should instead, contract a third party or a Civic Authority should take responsibility and liability for this.

Lincolnshire County Council and Lincolnshire Police have carried out a series of awareness training events for Constitutional Parade Organisers since 2018 to allow them to manage their event safely.

We are therefore making all organisers of Remembrance Parades in Lincolnshire aware of this change any events which have volunteers who are members of TRBL may wish to consider different volunteers and / or may wish to re-consider the parade itself.

Lincolnshire County Council Highways and Lincolnshire Police are fully supportive of Remembrance Parades and will continue to offer awareness / safety training for organisers in 2021. Therefore, if you have any queries regarding this, please contact Ellie Baker at Lincolnshire County Council and / or Sergeant Clive Farmer at Lincolnshire Police and we would be happy to discuss this with you.

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Covid-19 and Events.

Organisers are required to consider social distancing for their planned event and must adhere to the current government guidance regarding social distancing at the time of the event. This may also have an impact on parade/events – for example, parades may take longer due to social distancing measures required; in order to keep the correct distance from others parading, people may have to walk more slowly, or the space around the War Memorial may be insufficient for the usual numbers of attendees when social distancing is taken into account. Therefore, to ensure safety, organisers may be asked for some additional documents (risk assessments) this year by members of a Safety Advisory Group.

It is hoped that the Government may release some further guidance for Remembrance nearer to the date, therefore please check current guidance prior to your event.