

Saltash Remembrance 2024

Background

This year's Remembrance Sunday is being held on 10th November 2024. It is an event that is very important to residents and that many in the town wish to be involved in so they can pay their respects. Traditionally the event is held at 2pm so that it does not clash with other events in neighbouring towns held at 11am. The event includes a church service, parade to the war memorial and laying of wreaths at the war memorial located outside of the Church of St Nicholas and St Faith.

In addition, the Mayor and Mayor's Consort undertake wreath laying at the Waterside, Saltash Railway Station, Memorial Peace Garden and St Stephen's war memorial in the morning prior to the service.

Proposed Plans for Remembrance 2024

In 2022 and 2023 the church service was held in the Saltash Wesley Church. All organisations and members of the public who wished to attend were seated and the church was at near capacity. The parade route enables residents and visitors to gather in Fore Street to watch and pay their respects.

To allow as many residents, servicing personnel and veterans as possible to attend the Saltash Remembrance service and participate in the parade it is proposed that it is held at The Saltash Wesley Methodist Church.

It is proposed that once attendee numbers are confirmed, any remaining seats will be available to the community on the day, on a first come first seated basis. It is also hoped that the Church will live stream the event as has happened in previous years.

The parade will process from the Church to the war memorial where wreaths will be laid followed by the civic march past on Fore Street. Tea and coffee will be offered to everyone at the Guildhall afterwards.

In the morning of Remembrance Day, the Mayor and Mayor's Consort will attend the Waterside, Saltash Railway Station, Memorial Peace Garden and St Stephens War Memorial to lay wreaths. Councillors and the public will be invited to join them if they wish.

Ex-service personnel such as those living at Greenwich Place will be encouraged to be involved with the event for example, in reading of the names of the fallen during the Church service.

In the case of extreme weather, the wreaths will be laid at the altar of the Wesley Church and will be moved to the war memorial as soon as weather allows.

Costings

Saltash Town Band - £400

Road Closure management by Diverse Events – £630.48

Bugle Player - £200 (approximate costing)

Wreaths (£27.50 x 5) – £137.50

Photographer – £120

Town Sergeant and Mace Bearer - £75

Total Cost: £1,562.98

Budget Code: 6202 – Civic Occasions

Budget Availability 2024-25: £5,295.81

End of report

Receptionist / Mayors Secretary