

Saltash Remembrance 2023

Background

This year's Remembrance Sunday is being held on 12th November 2023. 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 Mayoress undertake wreath laying at the Waterside, Saltash Railway Station and St Stephen's war memorial in the morning prior to the service.

Proposed Plans for Remembrance 2023

Following reduced events in 2020 and 2021 due to the pandemic, the service in 2022 was held in the 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 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 march 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 Mayoress will attend the Waterside, Saltash Railway Station and St Stephens War Memorial to lay wreaths. Councillors and the public will be invited to join them if they wish.

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 - £350

Road Closure management by Diverse Events – £480.08

Bugle Player - £200 (approximate costing)

Photographer – £110

Town Sergeant and Mace Bearer - £75

Total Cost: £1,215.08

Budget Code: 6202 – Civic Occasions

Budget Availability 2023-2024: £4,815

End of report

Receptionist / Mayors Secretary