

## **YATE, DODINGTON & SODBURY REMEMBER**

November 11<sup>th</sup> 2018 will mark 100 years since the ceasefire, which has come to be recognised and remembered by many as end of World War 1 (even if the actual end was a few months later). The event is being called Armistice 100 and various organisations from the towns / parishes of Yate, Dodington and Sodbury have been working alongside each other to pull events together that will remember the sacrifices made and to commemorate the 100 year anniversary.

With approximately 2 months until the official launch of the Poppy Appeal by the Royal British Legion (27<sup>th</sup> October 2018) we are beginning to promote our plans with the hope of encouraging as many people to take part / join us for some of the events.

Between now and 20<sup>th</sup> October 2018 groups are busy making poppies that are to be displayed in and around Yate, Chipping Sodbury.

Primary school children, the Guiding and Scouting Associations will be involved in making air dried clay poppies – which will become Poppy Peace Gardens at St Mary's in Yate and St John's in Chipping Sodbury. There are opportunities for others to make clay poppies should they want to – just check out our websites for further information / instructions.

In 2014, Yate Town Council worked with local volunteers to crochet and knit poppies to be displayed under the Lych Gates at St Mary's Church in Yate, to commemorate the death of each soldier named there on the anniversary of their death. Local people are again, busy knitting and crocheting poppies to be displayed in Yate as part of the Town Council's and St Mary's Church Armistice commemorations and in Chipping Sodbury by Sodbury In Bloom for the towns commemorations. Suggested patterns for these can be viewed on our websites along with details of where to drop them off to and by when.

There are going to be events on the lead up to the 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018 including a Yate & District Heritage Centre, First World War History Day on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, exhibitions, plays at St Nix, Abbotswood, Film Viewings and Music Hall Entertainment at the Armadillo, Yate.

Again these will be advertised nearer the time on local notice boards and websites.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018 will see Remembrance Parade & Services taking place (Yate in the morning, Chipping Sodbury in the afternoon) and the day will come to a close with lighting of Beacons at Tyler's Field and Shireway Community Centre Yate and The Ridings, Chipping Sodbury.

Our thanks goes to the following organisations who have made the above events possible through generous grants / donations: -

Yate Town Council, Yate Twinning Association, Yate & District Rotary Club, Dodington Parish Council, MAF via South Gloucestershire Council, HLF.

If you don't have access to the internet – patterns for knitting, crocheting, and clay poppies can be collected from our offices:

Yate Town Council, Poole Court, Poole Court Drive, Yate. BS37 5PP

Dodington Parish Council, Finch Road, Chipping Sodbury. BS37 6JZ

*Please see websites/press/posters for full programme of events details*

[www.yatetowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.yatetowncouncil.gov.uk)

[www.dodingtonpc.org.uk](http://www.dodingtonpc.org.uk)

[www.yateparish.org](http://www.yateparish.org)



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