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Policy, Projects and Resources

Tommy Soldier Silhouette, “There But Not There” Campaign

Report of: *Steve Summers – Chief Operating Officer*

Wards Affected: *All*

This report is: *Public*

1. Executive Summary

1.1 This year marks 100 years since the end of The Great War. To mark this occasion there is a campaign for the 2018 Armistice project for the charity Remembered called ‘There But Not There’.

1.2 Remembered aims to

- Inspire communities to purchase and install silhouettes of their local fallen wherever they are listed for the Armistice Period, 2018, and/or buy 6’ Tommy figure for use in public space at any time through 2018.
- Educate all generations about why they made the ultimate sacrifice
- Raise very substantial funds to help those suffering from the hidden wounds of war, through the sale of the commemorative ‘Tommies’.

1.3 In order to honour those who fought and made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom, this Council pledges support for the Tommy Soldier Silhouette, “There But Not There” campaign.

1.4 To support the campaign it is suggested that the Council commit to purchasing 2 silhouettes which, subject to any necessary approvals, will be placed at Brentwood’s war memorial and in the Town Centre, as fitting tributes to the fallen.

2. Recommendation

2.1 To agree the purchase of two silhouettes which, subject to any necessary approvals, will be placed at Brentwood’s war memorial and in the Town Centre.

3. Introduction and Background

- 3.1 The initiative is led by the former head of the British Army, General Lord Richard Dannatt, the nationwide art installation is called 'There But Not There'.
- 3.2 The cost of each silhouette is £750.
- 3.3 Money raised is to support armed service personnel and mental health initiatives.

4. Reasons for Recommendation

- 4.1 To enable Officers to purchase the silhouettes.

5. Consultation

- 5.1 None at this stage.

6. References to Corporate Plan

- 6.1 The Councils Corporate Plan aims to:
 - Maximise Council assets to deliver corporate objectives and ensure community benefit.

7. Implications

Financial Implications

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- 7.1 The total cost of the purchase of 2 silhouettes and installation can be met within existing budgets.

Legal Implications

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- 7.2 Legal Services is available to advise going forward on any procedural requirements regarding any contract, proprietorial or planning issues, if applicable.

Other Implications (where significant) – i.e. Health and Safety, Asset Management, Equality and Diversity, Risk Management, Section 17 – Crime & Disorder, Sustainability, ICT.

- 7.3 None

8. Background Papers (include their location and identify whether any are exempt or protected by copyright)

9.1 None

9. Appendices to this report

10.1 None

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