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Grant Application

Please complete this application form for a grant which will be considered at the Council meeting following receipt. Meeting details are placed on the Parish Council notice boards and on the website. It would be helpful if a member of your organisation could come to the meeting.

Please return the form to the Parish Clerk, giving 7 clear days' notice before a meeting to allow for the completed application form to be circulated to Councillors.

Name of Organisation: Royal British Legion (Kimpton Branch)

Name and contact details of applicant:

Kim Hills (Chairman)
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Nature of organisation and how it benefits the residents of Kimpton, Peters Green and /or Blackmore End:

The Royal British Legion is a British charity providing financial, social and emotional support to members and veterans of the British Armed Forces, their families and dependants. The war memorial is a central point of Remembrance for many local residents. Many villagers have relatives' names on the memorial and go there to Remember them. The memorial is also a focal point for the school to teach about the wars and the importance of Remembrance Day.

Membership number and % those living in parish:

Current membership is 36 with 95% residing in the parish.

Amount of grant sought: £1,620.

This is the total amount that we have been quoted for cleaning the memorial. The same company charged £1,470 in 2001.

Purpose of the grant:

We would like to enhance the war memorial. Last year the plans for the village to celebrate the 75th anniversary of VE day were cancelled due to the pandemic. The villagers however marked the occasion by decorating over 100 stones and leaving them at the memorial. These have been safely stored until now when the intention is to have them permanently situated near the gates of the memorial as a permanent Remembrance. We have also purchased 2 “Tommy” figures which are four-foot models of a soldier (see image below), to be placed either side of the memorial. The Tommy’s cost a total of £350. The BWP have kindly agreed to securely place them at the site. I am still awaiting a quote for setting the decorated stones. Given the work that we are undertaking, it would seem an appropriate time to have the memorial stone professionally cleaned. I understand that this last happened in 2001.



Current financial status (please enclose the last two years' accounts) Attached.

Other sources of income including fund raising?

We have had two sizeable donations. A villager donated £150 last year which was earmarked towards the aborted VE day celebrations. A local company has donated £500 towards the cost of the Tommy’s and the stone setting. I anticipate that these two donations will cover the Tommy’s and the installation of the stones. However, should this prove to be insufficient then we will arrange local fund-raising initiatives. We do not intend to use monies raised for welfare for this project.

How do you intend to maintain the financial viability of your organisation?

We had started to increase the membership in 2019; then sadly our fund-raising initiatives for last year had to be cancelled. The actual running of the branch does not cost anything therefore the monies we raise going forward we want to use for the welfare and benefit of any local service personnel or their families. The monies raised by the Poppy Appeal go directly to RBL National. The Bright Star in Peters Green has also pledged to assist with donations.

