# REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY ORDER OF SERVICE AT THE WAR MEMORIAL 09 November 2025

### Welcome & Introduction by Revd. Celia Woodruff: 'Invitation to Commemorate'

Down the years we have recalled through Armistice and Remembrance events all those who have served their country. Decades during which the world has still been ravaged by war and in which men and women continue to serve, and we pray, governments work towards peace. So, we gather to remember the sacrifice of those who have paid the ultimate price, all those affected by conflict, and to pray for reconciliation.

#### A Prayer of Remembrance by Revd. Celia Woodruff

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life, hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## The Act of Remembrance' is read by lan Neville

They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.

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Last Post is then sounded: 'Standards dip at this time' followed by TWO MINUTES SILENCE at 11.00am

Followed by 'Reveille' when standards will be raised.

**WREATHS** will then be laid in the following order:

- Deputy Lord Lieutenant's Representative for HM The King
- Royal British Legion
- Arun District Council Chairman and Littlehampton Town Mayor

When the first four wreaths have been laid a short time should be observed then one wreath from each point should advance together until completion, as shown below, along with any other Group wishing to participate.

**The Kohima Epitaph** is read by Littlehampton Armed Forces & Veteran Breakfast Club Member

When you go home, tell them of us and say, for your tomorrow we gave our today.

#### **Act of Commitment** by Revd. Woodruff

Let us pledge ourselves anew to the service of God and our fellow men, that we may be peacemakers in our homes, in our community, in our country and in our world. Lord God, we pledge ourselves to serve you and all mankind in the cause of peace and for the relief of want and suffering. Give us wisdom; give us courage; give us hope; and keep us always faithful. Amen.

#### The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen.

This to be followed by one verse of 'The National Anthem'.

God save our gracious King!
Long live our noble King!
God save the King!
Send him victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the King.

#### POST WAR MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Parade will re-form in St Catherine's Road and proceed to St Mary's Church via Church Approach for a Service by The Revd. Celia Woodruff and Revd. Peter Sedlmayr. The Band and Uniform Groups will disband and enter the Manor House Car-park while the rest of the parade will make its way to St Mary's Church.

COLOUR PARTY ESCORTS are requested to leave Standard Bearers at the entrance to the Church and take their seats.

# REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY PARADE FORMATION ORDER 09 November 2025

When forming up in the High Street please ensure you leave enough room for those at the back of the parade. If you are at the back of the formation and there is not enough room, inform those at the front to move forward. Do not stand in the road.

Training Ship Sussex Sea Cadet Corps Band

The Royal British Legion Standard: and Escorts:

Lord Lieutenant/Deputy Lord Lieutenant

Civic Dignitaries

The Royal Naval Association Standard: and Escorts: Members and Guests
The Royal Air Force Association Standard: and Escorts: Members and Guests

Littlehampton Armed Forces & Veterans Breakfast Club Standard: and Escorts:

Members and Guests

Sea Cadet Corps Colours: Escorts: and Members Army Cadet Force Colours: Escorts: and Members Air Training Corps Colours: Escorts: and Members

Nautical Training Corps Colours: Escorts: and Members

Royal National Lifeboat Institution Members

St. John Ambulance Brigade Flag: Escorts: and Members British Red Cross Society Flag: Escorts: and Members

5<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Scout Associations Flags: Escorts: and Members (including Beavers and cubs)

Girl Guide Associations Flags: Escorts: and Members (Including Brownies and Rainbows)

All Other Groups/Organisations/Associations/Public "will be made welcome".

#### REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY WAR MEMORIAL SERVICE LAYOUT

#### **09 NOVEMBER 2025**

#### NORTH

Members of the public,

Sussex Police, West Sussex Fire Services, Maltravers Social Club,

Littlehampton Harbour Board, R.N.L.I. LAFVBC, R.N. Association, R.A.F. Association, Royal Sussex Regt, Fleet Air Arm.

