



# Royal Military Police Association Hull & East Riding Branch

## Minutes of the Branch Meeting Held 12<sup>th</sup> February 2016



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### Members Present:

Dave Mitchell; Mike Walker; Bob Borland; Brian Petch; Derek Garton; Frank Maunder; Terry Scholes

### Apologies Received:

Steve Woods; Brian Fenwick; Dave Emmerson; David Kennedy; Joe Matthews;

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## Agenda

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3. Absent Friends
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  - 7.5 Liaison Officer
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9. Any Other Business
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## **1.0 Remembrance**

Dave Mitchell opened the meeting at 20:04 hrs and the Remembrance was observed by all members.

## **2.0 Members Present/Apologies Received**

Apologies received from Steve Woods; Brian Fenwick; Dave Emmerson; David Kennedy; Joe Matthews;

## **3.0 Absent Friends**

Absent friends were recorded as listed in the apologies.

## **4.0 Minutes of Previous Meeting**

There being no matter arising it was proposed and seconded that these were true and accurate record, this was voted on by branch members present.

Proposed: Derek Garton

Seconded: Terry Scholes

Carried: Unanimously by Branch Members Present

## **5.0 Matters Arising**

5.1 None

## **6.0 Communications Received**

6.1 Snow Drop Parade – Reminder – see Forth Coming Events for more information

6.2 Letter from HQ - Conduct And Behaviour At The Cenotaph Parade On Remembrance Sunday

Extract from said letter

... The Legion very much recognises that it is the poignant act of military veterans marching past the Cenotaph and paying their respects to those that went before, which guarantees that the event endures and makes it so compelling to the watching public.

In light of this, I regret that it falls to me to highlight a discernible reduction in the standard of turnout and bearing of some of those participating in the parade. Both suggest a lack of respect for either the occasion or the senior guests attending, and neither, as I am sure you agree, are acceptable. Whilst I am sure that there has been no commission behind this decline, and that no one participating wishes to appear anything less than impressive or professional in the eyes of their contemporaries or the watching public, the fact remains that educated observers who witnessed the various components of the parade in November have raised concerns that need to be addressed. In terms of dress, a collar and tie should be the agreed minimum standard for male participants. Moreover, some formed bodies need perhaps to reflect on the solemnity of the occasion as they march and the recent innovation of taking photographs whilst saluting the dais is entirely unacceptable. ...

Complete letter/email available from Branch Secretary

6.3 Received Documentation for the Hull Veterans Weekend - East Park

## **7.0 Reports**

### **7.1 CESA**

To hold a collection on the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> March (Thursday & Friday) at North Bransholme Shopping Centre Volunteers are required

### **7.2 Standard Bearer**

No events attended.

### **7.3 Website**

The annual subscription has just been paid to the Hosting Provider for another year

### **7.4 Corps Journal Correspondent**

David Kennedy not being present no report given.

### **7.5 Liaison Officer**

Jon Wild not being present no report given.

## **8.0 Social Events**

8.1 Annual Dinner Frank to obtain available dates for the Masonic Lodge, Beverly Road

8.2 Tombola Veterans Week East Park to be discussed next meeting

## **9.0 Any Other Business**

9.1 Letter to be sent to Lieutenant Colonel Mark John requesting personnel to attend the Hull Veterans Weekend 30<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016

## **10.0 Close of Meeting & Date of Next Meeting**

The time being 20:45 hrs and there being no further business the meeting was closed by Dave Mitchell.

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March** at 20:00 hrs, New Cleveland Social Club, 90 New Cleveland Street, Hull, East Yorkshire, HU8 7HE

## **Attachments**

- **Agenda For Branch Meeting, Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2016**
- **Forthcoming Events**

## Agenda For The Branch Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> March 2016

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## Forthcoming Events

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**Event:** **Snowdrop Parade**  
**Date:** Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2016  
**Venue:** NMA  
**Contact:** Branch Secretary (Hull) for further details  
**Closing Date:**

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**Event:** **Hull Veterans Weekend**  
**Date:** Weekend of 30<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016  
**Venue:** East Park, Holderness Road, Hull  
**Time:** 10:00 hrs - 17:00 hrs  
**Details:** To Follow

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