



ARMED FORCES DATE

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 96/13

9 DECEMBER 2013

The purpose of this report is to ask Members to consider a request from the Armed Forces Day Committee for a contribution towards the cost of their event which will be part of the national Armed Forces Day programme

No. DETAIL

1) INTRODUCTION

- a)** The event will be held at Ryde on 21 June 2014.
 - b)** A copy of the letter making the request is attached for Members' information.
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The Secretary,
AFD Organising Committee
C/o 65 Mountfield Road,
Wroxall
Isle of Wight
PO38 3BX

Dear Councillors,

20th November 2013

I have been asked to contact you on behalf of the organising committee of the Isle of Wight Armed Forces Day. As I am sure you are all aware, Armed Forces Day (AFD) is a national event which pays tribute to the members of our country's armed forces, both those currently serving and the veterans.

The AFD event will take place on Saturday 21st June 2014 at North Walk and Appley Park, Ryde. Of course 2014 will be quite an exceptional year for the country as we commemorate the 100th anniversary of the beginning of World War 1 and also the 70th anniversary of the historic landings of D-Day.

And it is with those historic events in mind that I am contacting your council to ask if you would be so kind as to consider making a contribution towards the costs of staging the AFD.

I would like to point out that whilst the event is staged in Ryde it is a whole island event and the committee are trying to get as many residents involved from across the island as possible. Another aspect of the Island AFD that you may not be aware of is that whilst it is about the Armed Forces, the committee have always strived to involve young people, from the various cadet services as well as other uniformed youth groups.

If you have any questions with regard to the AFD and the events being planned please feel free to either write to me at the above address or by e-mail at terrycafd@outlook.com or telephone me on 01983 856695.

I thank you for taking time to read my letter

Yours sincerely

Terry Clarkson (Mr)