RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No.14

meeting date: 25 SEPTEMBER 2018

title: COMMEMORATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARMISTICE

IN 1918

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1 PURPOSE

1.1 To inform Committee of how the Council intend to Commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Armistice in 1918.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 11 November 2018 will be the 100th Anniversary of the signing of the Armistice which brought to an end World War 1.
- 2.2 This anniversary is being commemorated across the United Kingdom in many different ways.
- 2.3 The Corporate Management Team has explored what we could do as a Council to commemorate this important anniversary.
- 3 THE COMMEMORATION
- 3.1 The Council has agreed to take part in the national beacon lighting event. 1000 Beacons of Light will be lit at 7pm on 11 November 2018. Our Beacon will be lit by the Mayor on the Clitheroe Castle Curtain Wall.
- 3.2 In addition the Corporate Management Team have looked at what can be done to supplement this beacon lighting event in a unique way. After much discussion the intention is to project a Poppy onto the surface of the Castle Keep for the week leading up to the 11 November 2018. The Poppy will be visible each night and hopefully will be seen by many people and bring to everyone's attention this historic anniversary.

4 RISK ASSESSMENT

4.1 The approval of this report may have the following implications:-

<u>Resources</u>: the estimated cost of the projection equipment and gobo is £3,000 which can be met within existing budgets.

Technical, Environmental and Legal: None identified.

Political: None identified.

<u>Reputation</u>: it is important the Council commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Armistice Day.

Equality and Diversity: None identified.

5 **CONCLUSION**

5.1 What is being suggested offers a way of commemorating this important day in a way that will be seen by a large number of people.

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