



2018 - Gloucestershire - 100 Years of the End of World War 1

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 - 1.1. Displays & re-enactments of WW1 Memorabilia and Trench Cooking at the Gloucester Quays - throughout 2018
 - 1.2. The Veteran's Mental Health charity – 'Combat Stress' will be the focus of 'the' Gloucester Quays Display August 2018
 - 1.3. Social Link- 'Shell Shock' in WW1 – Present Veterans with PTSD - Civilian mental health of young people and adults
 - 1.4. WW1 themed films to be screened in local locations: Guild Hall, Community Centres (proposed activities TBC)
 - 1.5. Young People's WW1 Competitions; Art, Poems, Short Stories, Videos (youtube) with prizes and community displays at the Guild Hall, Blackfriars, Schools (proposed activities TBC)
2. To learn how the Great War impacted on individuals and local communities in the county from WW1 and WW2 up to the present day
 - 2.1. Talks & displays at youth groups, schools, colleges, community and faith centres and out in the general public
 - 2.2. Dramatisation of the impact of WW1, to be enacted throughout Gloucestershire, by National Star College students with complex disabilities (Proposed Activities TBC)



3. Provide quality WW1 educational resources for the present and future generations in Gloucestershire:
 - 3.1. Setting up a website, with the aim to 'Network Up' all the WW1 activities taking place in Gloucestershire and have educational links to other WW1 themed educational internet resources
 - 3.2. Displays for the following themes of WW1 - Present Day :
 - a. The Role of Diverse Ethnic Groups WW1: These groups were brought from all over the British Empire to fight in WW1
 - b. Women's Rights and Gains WW1: A look at their service in the Home Front, in part, working in areas such as munitions, farming etc
 - c. Mental Health WW1: 'Shell Shock' of soldiers in WW1; present day Veterans with PTSD; Civilian mental health of young people and adults
 - d. Disability WW1: The lack of any agency support for injured Veterans after WW1; forming of the Royal British Legion in 1921 to the present day society wanting to support Veterans and their families impacted by recent conflicts; the main military charities contact details
 - e. Underaged Soliders in WW1: Underaged recruiting of volunteers supplying the front line
 - 3.3. Oral histories taken, via interviews, from people who were impacted by WW1
4. Raise money for military charities, whilst linking the social issues from WW1 to the present day for veterans and the general public:
 - 4.1. Asking young people and adults to carry out 100 x sponsored activities: 100 sit-ups, Swim 100 Lengths etc
 - 4.2. A veteran will carry out a sponsored 100 miles wheelchair push, linking up all the Military Establishments in Gloucestershire
 - 4.3. Community Groups making 100 items and collecting donations for knitting 100 poppies, 100 flower bouquets to give to 'lonely people' etc



4.4. Charities that are to be focused on:

Combat Stress & NHS (Mental Health)

www.combatstress.org.uk

www.england.nhs.uk/2016/09/armed-forces-veterans-mh

social Links - Mental Health WW1: 'Shell Shock' of soldiers in WW1; present day Veterans with PTSD; Civilian mental health of young people and adults



Pilgrims Bandits (inspire injured personnel to live life to the full)

www.pilgrimbandits.org



Blesma Limbless Veterans

www.blesma.org

Social links - The lack of any agency support for severely injured Veterans after WW1 and improvements to the present day



Royal British Legion & SSAFA (Donations, Information for Veterans & Families in need)

www.britishlegion.org.uk/about-us/contact-us/



SSAFA - the Armed Forces charity, formerly known as Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association

www.ssafa.org.uk

Social Links - Both these agencies support a mixture of both serving military personnel, veterans & families, far better now, with society wanting to support those impacted by recent conflicts, than the lack of voluntary and government support after the 'war to end all wars' (WW1)



Alabare & other charities helping Homeless Veterans

[www.alabare.co.uk/home/gloucestershire-](http://www.alabare.co.uk/home/gloucestershire-home-for-veterans2/veterans)

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Social Links - Veterans' homeless charities can highlight the similarities between the lack of any agency support for Veterans of both WW1 up to present day conflicts and the current lack of support for civilian homelessness

