Hockley Parish Council News in Brief November 2020

These continue to be really challenging times for us all but efforts to protect ourselves and others do make a difference. We will continue to publish links to the current regulations to help you through the latest information. The NHS, Police and other emergency services appreciate any support we are able to give.

Remembrance Day – Hockley Remembers with 1000 poppies

Unable to hold its Remembrance Service at the war memorial due to the pandemic, Hockley Parish Council decorated its Parish Hall with a scarlet veil of hand knitted and crocheted poppies. The Parish Council also donated poppies to local business, Amos Estates, for its remembrance display in the village's main shopping centre, Spa Road. The displays reused more than 1,000 poppies originally made by members of the community for the Parish Council in 2018 for the 100th anniversary of the end of WW1.

A new page has been created on our website where you will find the names of all those who are honoured on the War Memorial.

As poppy sales have been restricted this year, the Chairman of the Council has agreed to donate £100 from the Chairman's Allowance to support the Poppy Appeal on behalf of the Parish Council. If you wish to donate online the link is: https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/ways-to-give/donate

Keeping Hockley Tidy

All councils are experiencing a high volume of litter being left in their open spaces and Hockley is no exception. Volunteer Litter picking teams have been working in Marylands Nature Reserve, which is a great help to the Parish Rangers who have also been making additional litter pick visits. The Parish Council has agreed to support one of the local teams lead by Donna Lawrence and will be providing PPE and Litter Picking equipment. The volunteers always welcome help if you have some spare time available and Donna posts details on Facebook - its only once a fortnight but makes a big difference.

Bramerton Road Community Church Advent Calendar

The Rev Gillian Thomson is arranging for an Advent Calendar to be displayed in 24 windows around Hockley. From the 1st December you will find a clue on the Bramerton Church Facebook Page to help you find them all. See how many you can spot.

https://www.facebook.com/BramertonRoadCommunityChurch/

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