



Branch No: 1453

**Minutes** of a Committee Meeting of the Windermere Branch held on **12th March 2026** at the Elleray Hotel, Cross Street. Windermere commencing at 7pm.

### Members Present

Adrian G Faulkner (AF) - Chair  
David Howarth (DH)

Ged Mcguire (GM) - Treasurer  
Ian Perry (IP) - Secretary

### Welcome

The Chair welcomed those assemble, gave the 'Exhortation' and asked for a minutes silence for our fallen heroes.

### Apologies

Penny Clover (PC)

Phil Watson (vice-chair) (PW)

### Correspondence

IP Reported nothing to deal with.

### Previous Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026 were agreed by those present.

### Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

### Treasurer's Report

GM reported that moving the bank account to Lloyd's Bank is still ongoing due to RBL accounts department level of sickness.

### "Gizzit" Order

IP reported that stock had been ordered and confirmed for the summer fair which is to be used as a recruitment drive at the Marchesi Centre on the 11<sup>th</sup> July. Posters are to be displayed in various local locations.

### Standard Bearer Training

PW stood down as deputy standard bearer. DH put his name forward. It was **proposed** by GM and **seconded** by IP that DH be the deputy standard Bearer. Rod Elgin (Standard Bearer Marshall) is to do the training and will contact GM and DH.

It was agreed that a new 'Union' Standard and regalia be purchased. It had been confirmed by Joanne McNamara (Area lead for the RBL) that up to £1,000 of the legacy money can be used to purchase the required items. AF had produced costings amounting to £683.20.

### Legacy Money

IP suggested to the meeting that a buggy be sponsored at the National Memorial Arboretum. IP to email them about the idea.

### Poppy Appeal Items

PW had reported earlier that he had come across a number of items at his place of work and wondered if the Branch could make use of them? After further investigation it was found they belong to Alan Whitmore, local Poppy Appeal Co-ordinator. IP to contact him.



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### **Items for next Committee Meeting**

A new role of Membership Secretary was discussed and it was suggested the PC be contacted by IP to ascertain if she would be willing to take on the position.

The Committee **agreed** to hold future Committee Meetings every 2 months at The Elleray Hotel, Cross Street, Windermere and branch meetings every 3 months at the Windermere Social Club, Lake Road, Windermere every 3 months.

### **A.O.B**

Nothing reported

### **Closing Remarks**

The Chair closed the meeting by 'thanking' everyone for their attendance and commented that "from a branch on the brink of closure we now seem to be going from strength to strength." He closed the meeting with the 'Kohima'

### **Next Meeting**

The next Committee Meeting would be held on the 21<sup>st</sup> May 2026 (7pm) at The Elleray Hotel.

The meeting closed at 20:17.

**Least We Forget**

**Ian Perry – Secretary, Royal British Legion, Windermere Branch**