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MINUTES OF THE 33RD LI COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN LONDON ON 11TH OCTOBER 2018

Present	Brig T J Gregson MBE Brig C M G Elcomb OBE Brig E J R Chamberlain Col D H R Stephenson CBE Lt Col P J Wykeham Capt I I Foster Capt R W Gittings Mr W Bearham Lt Col A R Trelawny	Chairman LI Committee Member/Chairman LI Club Member Member/President Buglers Association Member Member/Treasurer Member/LI Reunion Coordinator Member/1LI Representative Member/Secretary LI Committee	Chairman Treasurer Secretary
Apologies	Col B Denney TD DL Maj H L Kennedy MBE Mr A Tamblyn CSjt D Winter Mr C Edwards	Member Member/Website Coordinator Member/Chairman Buglers Association Member/2LI Representative Member/3LI Representative	
In Attendance			

Item (a)	Subject (b)	Discussion and Decisions (c)	Action (d)
1	Welcome and Opening Remarks	The Chairman welcomed members present. Apologies were received as shown above.	
2	Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Points Arising	The Minutes of the 32 nd LI Committee Meeting were accepted as a true record. There were no points arising.	
3	Membership Changes	Brig Gregson is now Chairman of the LI Committee. There were no other membership changes.	
4	Finances	The Treasurer informed the Committee that the money raised by Mr Cocoran and his 50/50/50 team amounted to just over £51K. Taking into account the grant of £17.5K to the 2018 Reunion, the current value of funds held on behalf of the LI Committee is now just over £115K. Support to the Reunion will remain the primary expenditure of the funds in the future, but some will also be spent on improvements to the LI Memorial at the NMA and on other small projects as agreed by the members of the LI Committee.	
5	LI and Rifles Reunion	<p>Capt Gittings presented the final costs for the 2018 Reunion. The total cost was just over £42K and the income (from ticket sales, draw income and the LI Committee grant) was just over £44K.</p> <p>The following programme was agreed provisionally for the 2019 Reunion (and will be confirmed at the next LI Committee meeting in March 2019):</p> <p>1100hrs Bars open, shuttle buses start 1430hrs Parade, Drumhead Service 1530hrs Sounding of Retreat 1700hrs Shuttle buses start 1900hrs Bars close, All Ranks Dinner starts</p> <p>The Buglers Association and the Veterans Band will perform in or outside the main marquee (timings to be decided). Food will be available for purchase at various points in the stadium. The control of entry issues which arose at the 2018 Reunion will have been addressed.</p> <p>Details of ticket purchasing options will be promulgated via the Reunion website and in the Spring 2019 Newsletter.</p> <p>It is assumed that Battalion gatherings will take place on the Friday evening under their own arrangements.</p> <p>Details of the new bank account to which payment will be made for Reunion entry, the All Ranks Dinner and the Draw will be given via the website and in the Spring Newsletter. Cheques/BACS payments to the Rifles Admin A/C (Shrewsbury) will no longer be accepted.</p>	<p>Capt Gittings</p> <p>Capt Gittings Lt Col Trelawny</p>
6	Associations	It was agreed that, if they wish to do so, the Buglers Association and the 1LI Association (and other battalion associations if they are formed) can submit reports at or prior to future LI Committee meetings.	
7	Websites	Capt Gittings reported that the Reunion website is up and running and that it will be used as the primary route for the promulgation of details about the Reunion, including the sale of tickets (although in 2019 the tickets will still be sent out by post from the Rifles Office in Shrewsbury).	

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7	Websites (contd)	Manning issues at Winchester mean that the "main" LI Website may not be updated (on issues unrelated to the Reunion) as regularly as in the past. It is hoped that this situation will be temporary.	
8	LI Officers' Club	98 officers and their guests attended the annual lunch at Salisbury on Sunday 15th July 2018. The annual dinner in London on Thursday 11 th October 2018 was attended by 114 officers. Brig Elcomb thanked Lt Col Topham and Brig Chamberlain for the organisation of the lunch and dinner respectively and Capt Foster for his support to both.	
9	Obituaries	This item will be removed from the agenda of future LI Committee meetings. Obituaries should continue to be submitted in the normal way via the regional Rifles Offices or directly to the Editors of the Bugle and the Rifles Chronicle.	
10	AOB	<p><u>NIVA Service.</u> The NIVA service will take place on Saturday 14th September 2019 at the NMA. More details to follow and all will be welcome. Lt Col Trelawny undertook to investigate whether coach transport from the LI counties, subsidised (in part) by LI Committee funds, might make the event more attractive. He will report back at the next meeting.</p> <p><u>LI Memorial at NMA.</u> The information plinth will be installed shortly. The final version of the maintenance contract will not be signed until the information plinth has been installed.</p> <p><u>LI Plot at the Westminster Field of Remembrance.</u> Brig Chamberlain will be "fronting" the LI Plot on 8th November 2018. He will review the "Rolls of Honour" being displayed by other regiments and report back to the next meeting so that action can be taken in 2019. No LI names (to be written on crosses) have been received for 2018.</p>	<p>Lt Col Trelawny</p> <p>Maj Kennedy</p> <p>Brig Chamberlain</p>
11	Future Meetings	<p>The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 13th March 2019 at 1130hrs. Venue to be confirmed.</p> <p>There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 1550hrs.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>All</p>

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