



HOUSE OF COMMONS

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The Rt Hon Sir Keir Starmer KCB KC MP
Prime Minister
10 Downing Street
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Thursday 19th March 2026

Dear Prime Minister,

Re: Support for Remembrance Day Parades – Waiver of Temporary Road Closure Fees and Assistance with Traffic Management Costs.

Remembrance Day parades are among the most important civic traditions in the United Kingdom. Each year communities across the country come together to honour the service and sacrifice of those who have served in our Armed Forces, ensuring that their courage and dedication are never forgotten.

In recent years, however, organisers have faced increasing financial pressures when arranging these events. Changes to policing arrangements mean that organisers are now often required to obtain Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders and cover the costs of traffic management associated with road closures.

According to data by the Royal British Legion, these costs average around £2,000 per event and are frequently borne by local authorities, volunteer groups or charities such as the Royal British Legion. For smaller communities, this represents a significant financial burden and has led to concerns that some parades may be scaled back or even cancelled. The Royal British Legion also estimate there are approximately 1,675 branches reporting a local parade on a road in their area.

We therefore urge the Government to take two practical steps to support these important national commemorations:

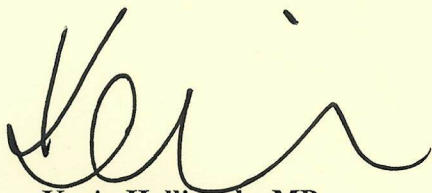
- Encourage and support local authorities to waive the fees associated with Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders when they are required for Remembrance Day parades.
- Establish a dedicated fund to assist local authorities with the associated traffic management costs, including accredited signage, barriers and route marshalling.

Taken together, these measures would remove unnecessary financial barriers and ensure that communities can continue to organise Remembrance Day events with dignity and respect.

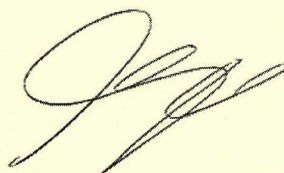
Remembrance Day is a moment of national reflection and gratitude. It is vital that practical obstacles do not stand in the way of communities coming together to honour those who have served our country.

We would welcome the Government's consideration of these proposals and would be pleased to discuss them further.

Yours sincerely,



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