



RECORD OF DECISIONS - NMBVA NEC MEETING
Held on Saturday 5th December 2015
Tillington Hall Hotel Stafford

Meeting Opened at 09: hrs.

Members Present:

David Neil (Chairman), Malcolm White (Vice Chairman), Ted Williams (Secretary), Bob Roberts (Membership Secretary and Postal North coordinator), Mr Dick Richardson (National Treasurer), Mrs Annie Burden (Webmaster & Regalia Officer), Valerie Nisbet (NEC Member), Mr Brian Roche NEC Member and Postal South coordinator

ITEM:

Item 1 - **Exhortation:** Mr Malcom White (National vice Chairman)

Item 2 - **Welcome by the National Chairman**
David Neil National Chairman. Welcome, and thank you all for coming, it's nice to see a good turnout, however it is a pity we have not got a 100%

Item 3 - **APLOLOGIES;** From Mr Clive Boyles NEC Member and overseas Postal Coordinator), this was due to a prearranged family visit

Item 4 **Record of decisions** made at NEC Meeting held at the Tillington Hall Hotel on 5th 2015

Item 5 Proposed By Annie Burden seconded By Bob Roberts that the minutes be accepted as a correct record

Item 6 **Matters arising.** No Matters arising

Item 7 **National Treasurers Report; Mr Dick Richardson**
Dick went over the accounts line by line, saying that the NEC are keeping administration cost well under control, and we made a profit last year. And he should like to point out that those members organising the service at St Pauls and the Gala Dinner etc. are doing it at their own expense, For an example he spent £100 in travel last week to attend a conference at the Mansion House

and St Pauls and, this did not include incidental expenditure. Those attending the same conference spent a lot more due to distance travelled

From our discussions I am pleased to report that the expenditure on St Pauls it not going to be as great as anticipate

Item 8 Malcom White went over the Newsletter (However this is now out and from the report I have received it has been a huge success, well done Mal

Item 9 Commemorative Journal 2016 Malcolm White informed the meeting that is in contact with Mr Tony Talbot, who stated that the journal belongs to the member's. Thing are going extremely well, he does not want to give out too much information at the moment, but he believe members will be well impressed when it is produced

Item 10 Regalia Stock and Pricing. Annie went over the stack held, there was a long discussion over the Ladies " Brooch", which appetence to be very successful. There will be a an increase in postage (Annual event) next year, which Annie believes we could carry. This department is highly successful thanks to the dedication of Annie Burden

Item 11 Bob Roberts, Unfortunately I have only just got back this morning, however, I made a full depth report only a short period time ago to the NEC and very little has changed, however there is a need to chase some branches regarding National subscriptions, and could I also, and request Branch Secretaries to do likewise with their members, Bob has got a lot of the to return, however it is very embracing to find that they had pass away some time ago

Item 12 Postal Membership, Ted suggested that postal co-dominators get request for subscriptions out early in the new year, because the NEC will have a busy time at the start of the new year. In writing these try and use them as an information circular and if possible add a bit of humour

ITEM 13 West Yorkshire Malaya and Borneo Veterans Associations
Bob Roberts and Tony Baker MBE have both report seen a repot appearing on Yorkshire TV and on Facebook wearing NMBVA regalia This was discussed the following observations made

- 1 They have bastardised our Logo
- 2 They are wearing items of our regalia
- 3 It was also pointed out that only the NMBVA have approval for the Logo from the collage of Arms

However it was agreed that there would be very little to gain, by causing a fuss, at this time in our history

ITEM 14 SAVINGS. Ted, should we no start to think about more savings by the NEC Do we need 3 NEC meetings per year is there any other ideas. Dick Richardson, because most NEC members either don't claim or donate their claims back into the association there is very little savings to be made. The Chairman pointed out that the number of NEC meeting is in the constitution, and therefore this item should be left to the AGM

ITEM 15 St Paul's Mansion & Gala Dinner
The Chairman Mr David Neil went over the event in some detail, stressed the importance of the event to member and the outside and try to get some form of recognition for a campaign which appears to be forgotten, yet is the only war any western country has won against a communist insurgent (both Korea and Vietnam were failures) and yet not many people are aware of the fact, that we lost more British forces lives than in any other campaign since the end of world war 2
Therefore we have to make this an occasion to remember, because I doubt we'll ever lay on an event of this magnitude again

ITEM 16 Gala Dinner Wednesday 27th April 2016 (the programme has been sent out to all) Just observations

- a) Top table occupants to be finalised (Dress for Top Table Black Ties)
- b) VIP's to be limited (If we invite, we shall be expected to pay)
- c) Dress Blazers Medals. Lounge Suites Black ties
- d) Entertainment by the "The Cufflinks Band"

ITEM 17 St Pauls

**REDEDICATION OF THE MEMORIAL PLAQUE OF THE NATIONAL
MALAYA & BORNEO VETERANS ASSOCIATION
THURSDAY 28 APRIL 2016 at 11.00HRS
OBE CHAPEL**

CHANCELLOR

SUCCENTOR

			Actions
1	General	There will be a service of rededication of the National Malaya and Borneo Veterans Association plaque on Thursday 28 April 2016 at 11am. The service will commemorate the 50 th anniversary of the cessation of hostilities.	

		<p>There will be a service in the OBE chapel during which there will be a wreath laying at the memorial plaque which is located opposite the Falklands memorial. The service is expected to last 40 minutes.</p> <p><i>A senior Royal has been invited to attend.</i></p>	
2	The Service	<p>Details of the service as agreed by the NMBVA, Precentor and Succentor.</p> <p>Bidding and blessing: Dean/Chancellor</p> <p>No sermon</p> <p>2 Readings: Sir Garry Johnson and <i>Johnny Longbottom to be asked to provide cadet</i></p> <p><i>David Neil to provide the reading 'The man beside me'</i></p> <p>During the second hymn, the wreath laying party (x 6) move to memorial plaque for rededication and the sound is relayed to those in the OBE chapel.</p> <p>Intercessors: The Revd Roger Perry (Chaplain to the NMBVA) and Succentor</p>	<p>PRECENTOR SUCCENTOR</p> <p>SUCCENTOR</p> <p>DAVID NEIL</p>
2a	Orders of Service	<p>Barnard and Westwood to print 350</p> <p>Logo (front cover) - <i>Ted Williams to send Rosemary the logo</i></p> <p>Information about NMBVA to be included (<i>updated from previous version</i>)</p>	<p>LITURGY OFFICE</p> <p>TED WILLIAMS NMBVA</p>
2b	Collection	<p>NMBVA to suggest one of HRH's charities for collection.</p> <p>Gift aid envelopes to be sent out with tickets</p>	<p>TED WILLIAMS NMBVA SEC WANDSMEN</p>
2c	Wreath laying	<p>wreath laying party – (6) Lord Mayor Locum tenens tbc Sheriff tbc Dick Richards to Provide</p>	<p>SUCCENTOR</p>

		Wreath HRH General Sir Garry Johnson David Neil Dean/Canon in residence	
2d	NMBVA memorial plaque	Light to be erected to brighten the memorial plaque	CLERK OF WORKS
2e	Standards	Banner stand required for 8 banners (National Standard; Union Standard and 6 others)	DEAN'S VIRGER NMBVA
3	Music		
3a	Choir	Cathedral choir 6 + 2 required with organist +conductor	MUSIC DEPT
3b	Music choices and organist	Music before and after the service : Hymns: O God our help in ages past Immortal Invisible Guide me O Thou Great Redeemer National Anthem Choir Anthem: tbc	ORGANIST MUSIC DEPT
4	Congregation		
4a	Attendance	It is expected (max 350) will attend.	DEAN'S VIRGER SEC WANDSMEN
4b	VIPs	HRH tbc Lord Mayor Locum Tenens tbc Sheriff tbc Malaysian High Commissioner tbc Others tbc	

4c	Entrance	From 10.00 Congregation will enter via North Transept. Wheelchair users enter via North Transept 10.50 Lord Mayor Locum Tenens tbc via North Transept 10.55 HRH tbc via North Transept
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4d	Exit	End of service VIP guests depart North Transept All other guests depart NW crypt door
4e	Tickets	Entry by ticket only (Ted Williams)
4f	Reserved seating	Tba Ted Williams
5	Technical requirements	
5a	Sound system	Lectern microphone and clip/kylie microphone for high altar (normal position for services in OBE chapel) For wreath laying- stand microphone at memorial with speakers in OBE chapel so sound can be relayed into chapel. <u>Dick Richards to provide the wreath</u>
5b	Lighting	Raise lighting levels for service as normal. Additional lighting to be rigged up to highlight NMBVA memorial.
6	Coordination	
6a	Wandsmen	4-6 required
6b	Stewards	09.45 – 12.15 Steward on North Transept Stewards to close the Ambulatory at 10.45
6c	External ushers Guard of Honour	NMBVA will provide 6 <u>ushers Mrs Valerie Nisbet, Bob Roberts, Dick Richards, Mrs Annie Burnden, Clive Boyles Mrs Gillian Bowtell, Would members please confirm with Ted that this is still OK with them</u>
6d	Guard of Honour	Gurkha party as step liners on North transept. (No changing area required)
6e	Fire Alarms	Please silence and monitor fire alarms
6f	Parking	3 coaches on Old Roadway Coaches HRH ? Lord Mayor tbc
6g	Reception	Mansion House reception following the service.
6h	Press and Media Photography	Please pass all media enquiries via Karen Hart – Cathedral press officer Graham Lacdao to photograph
6i	Security	Police will be advised if HRH attends.

		Bag search required at North Transept from 09.45 – 10.50
7	Timings	<p>08.30 – 12.30 OBE chapel closed for sightseeing 10.00 Guests arrive via the North Transept 10.00 Readers' rehearsals 10.45 Ambulatory closed and Nelson and Wellington Chambers close</p> <p>11.00 Service starts 11.45 Service ends</p> <p>VIP guests depart North Transept Other guests depart NW crypt door</p>
8	Costs	<p>Service costs to be confirmed.</p> <p>Invoice to be sent to:</p>
9	Contact Details	<p>The Revd Rosemary Morton Succentor sucentor@stpaulscathedral.org.uk Tel: 020 7246 8338</p> <p>Jane Laws Events Coordinator jane@stpaulscathedral.org.uk Tel: 020 7246 8318</p> <p>Mr Simon Johnson Organist and Assistant Director of Music sjohnson@stpaulscathedral.org.uk PA – Angela Palotai apalotai@stpaulscathedral.org.uk Tel: 020 7236 6883</p> <p>Karen Hart Press and Communications Officer St Paul's Cathedral Tel: 020 7246 8321 khart@stpaulscathedral.org.uk</p> <p>Mr David Neil National Chairman NMBVA 558 Stations Road North Wallsend Tyne & Wear NE28 8NR</p>

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Tickets, There will be one ticket only to cover the complete event however in the right top Corner there will be a Series of Coloured dots indicating what the ticket covers

Commemorative Mugs It was agreed that only VIP and paid-up members of the association would be presented with a mug on leaving the Mansion House, however these can be purchased at £8.50 each, they are a limered addition

Transportation coaches are laid on to take members on full package form Hotel to St Paul's, St Paul's to Mansion House, It would not be cost effect to lay on a coach for those who are visiting for the day. However they are welcome to take any spare seats, and we have a team to get Taxies, it's only a short journey and with a full taxi will not be too expensive

A Guide will be sent to all those attending with tickets, please note tickets will be numbered and not changeable and must be produced on request

The National President, Chairman and Secretary have a final meeting on the 10th March 2016, please let the secretary have any concerns you may have before this date

Meeting closed at 1200hrs

Next Meeting 1st April 2016 (to be confirmed)

Minutes Approved

By National Chairman.....Date.....