

Cranfield Parish Council

Section 24

Memorial Wreath and Flag Policy

1. Purpose

This policy sets out the guidelines for the placement and duration of wreaths at the cenotaph in Cranfield, and the management of the flag in accordance with dates and instructions provided by the British Government, to ensure a respectful and dignified tribute at all times.

2. Wreath Placement

Wreaths will be placed at the memorial on Remembrance Day as part of the official commemoration.

The wreaths will remain in situ until Easter the following year, allowing the community to pay their respects over an extended period.

Any wreaths that become significantly weather-damaged before this period may be removed at the discretion of the Parish Council, if this is the case the parish clerk will contact Cranfield RBL to advise.

3. Respect and Honour

The cenotaph is a place of solemn reflection and tribute to our war veterans and all those who lost their lives in conflict.

The Parish Council reserves the right to remove any items deemed inappropriate or disrespectful.

4. Flag Management

The flag will be lowered and raised on designated dates throughout the year to mark significant national and local commemorations.

A schedule of dates will be published on the Parish Council's website and social media account each January.

The Flag Master will be responsible for managing these changes, with the list of dates established at the beginning of each year.

The flag will always be flown in accordance with national flag protocols and guidance.