###### The Royal British Legion

**Morgan’s Vale, Woodfall’s & Redlynch Branch**

*C19 News Sheet*

The good news is that the community is playing cricket again. The sports club has held its team trials and is now actively playing matches. Some of these matches are critical for smaller clubs who may be under threat of closing down. So good luck to the Sports Club. On top of that the play area is now in maximum use mode. That is also good. But please still be cautious.

Some things though remain up in the air. The word is that there may not be, a poppy collection this year. Not in the manner we are used to perhaps. No door to door, but maybe in large stores and Banks etc. The poppy shop has of course been closed and production of poppies was stopped for a long period. I’m sure an instruction will soon be published by HQ RBL. This is the most recent news received by our Poppy Collector representative. Thank you, Liz. We, the Branch, normally commence planning for Remembrance day, in the third week of September.

Just today an instruction was received from HQ RBL, regarding the regulations on gatherings. It is relaxed in some ways but still encourages caution. For those of you on e mail I will attach it for your guidance. The rules are sensible and will apply to many of our community organisations. As we have VJ Day approaching with these rules in mind I must look closely at what we can do, if anything.

It has been decided that we should hold a minor function to commemorate or celebrate this important date in the history of our Country. It will be a limited thanksgiving at Bowers Hill memorial. This location will offer sufficient area for separation to be observed. Plans are still being finalised and will be subject to changes placed on us. But as of now we have a plan.

Progress continues. So far we now have a VJ Day instruction on how it will take place. Next a Service Sheet has been produced and is at the printers. Both of these I will attach to this letter and deliver copies as necessary. Hard copies will be available on the day.