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To The Representatives of The Royal British Legion in Suffolk

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*To all members of the Royal British
Legion in Suffolk*

**The Commemoration of the Armistice on the Western Front at the end of World War
One**

I am writing to express my heartfelt gratitude and appreciation of the immense effort made by the Royal British Legion across the whole county in large towns, villages, schools, helping communities large and small to pay tribute as best we possibly could, to those brave men and women who served and died for us in the Great War.

The Royal British Legion was everywhere, helping to manage all our Acts of Remembrance, but the memory I will always carry with me was the thoughtful and dignified way your members helped so many children to take part in the wreath and poppy cross laying on all of Suffolk's War Graves. Old and young together in quiet respect. You were all extraordinary. It meant so much.

It is not for me to presume to thank you all, but I know that Her Majesty The Queen who I am privileged to represent, would wish you to know how deeply she has appreciated everything that you have done.

*With my best wishes
Clare Euston*

Clare, Countess of Euston
H.M. Lord Lieutenant of Suffolk

Adding to the Suffolk Remembers Archive

The Suffolk Record Office holds an amazing range of information covering 9 centuries of the history of Suffolk and its people. We continue to collect material all the time from organisations, businesses, communities and individuals, preserving these items and making them accessible for research by current and future generations.

This November has seen activities across the County to commemorate the end of the First World War and the Record Office would love to create a lasting record of how our county marked the Centenary. We are seeking to collect photographs, programmes and other papers that illustrate Suffolk's commemorations to add to our collections. Examples of the items we would like to receive include:

- Orders of service
- Programmes and photographs of exhibitions, lectures or other events
- Programmes for school concerts and commemoration activities
- Books and booklets published about your village or community
- Research about names on the County's war memorials
- Newscuttings
- WW1 related projects
- Audio visual recordings of events
- Poems, pieces of music or drama created for the commemorations
- People's reflections on what the commemorations meant to them

We are also interested in what inspired people and communities to commemorate the First World War in the ways that they did.

If you have held any other WW1 related projects and events or created publications or exhibitions during the whole of the **2014-2018** period, we would also be delighted to receive information about those too.

It is very easy to send in your items to add to the Suffolk Remembers Archive. If the items are in digital format they can be E mailed to Suffolk.remembers@suffolk.gov.uk or brought in to any of the branches on a CD or memory stick. Hard copies can also be sent or brought in to any of the three Record Office branches:

Suffolk Record Office, Gatacre Road, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP1 2LQ

Suffolk Record Office, 77 Raingate Street, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 2AR

Suffolk Record Office, Lowestoft Library, Clapham Road South, Lowestoft, Suffolk, NR32 1DR

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Thank you