



Welfare

Welfare, the main reason for the Legion's existence remains the Branch Strategy top priority.

Practical help is available in the form of counselling; business start-up advice and grants; stays at Break Centres for families reunited after operational tours; supporting families through harrowing inquests; helping elderly beneficiaries maintain independent living in their own homes; providing dementia care in our residential homes; placing homeless beneficiaries from the streets into proper shelter; providing financial support and advice on benefits; and helping wounded and sick personnel recover from their injuries. If you are a serving or ex-Serviceman or Servicewoman or dependant who needs help of any kind, or you know of someone else who does, please ring the Chairman on (01747) 854765. Do leave a contact telephone number if they are not in. The Branch also arranges hospital and/or home visits for those needing them.

Legion Helpline

The Legion General Helpline on 0808 802 8080 is free from UK landlines and open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. seven days a week. It covers enquiries on the following subjects:-

- War pensions and compensation claims
- Inquest advice
- Benevolent / welfare help
- Benefits and money advice
- Independent living
- Care homes
- Poppy Breaks, Family Holiday Breaks and Adventure Breaks
- Remembrance travel (pilgrimages, school & group tours)
- Legion membership, but try the Branch first!
- Poppy Appeal
- Fundraising events
- Tracing advice

