

**List of 2018 and 2019 dates which may be useful to the Civic Office**

Designated days for Union Flag Flying – detailed guidance on this can be found on the Government’s website at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/designated-days-for-union-flag-flying>

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| **2018** | **Event** | **Notes** |
| 27 January | Holocaust Memorial Day | 2018 theme is “The power of words” |
| 6 February | Centenary of the Representation of the People Act 1918 in which all men over the of 21 and all women householders over the age of 30 were granted the vote |  |
| 16 February | Chinese New Year | 2018 is the Year of the Dog |
| 6 March | NACO Training Event | Further information on NACO website |
| 8 March | International Women’s Day |  |
| 12 March | WW1 Single Commemorative Act | NACO project – see information on website |
| 12 March | Fly the Flag for Commonwealth Day | See link to site on NACO website |
| 21 March | International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination |  |
| 1 April | Centenary of the merger of the Royal Flying Corps and the Royal Naval Air Service creating the Royal Air Force and the Womens Royal Air Force |  |
| 25 April | Anzac Day | Many services are held on the nearest Sunday |
| 8 May | VE Day (marking the end of World War II in Europe) |  |
| 9 May | Europe Day |  |
| 16 May to 14 June | Ramadan |  |
| 17 May | 75th Anniversary of the Dambusters Raid by 617 Squadron of the RAF |  |
| 9 June | Trooping the Colour | Horse Guards Parade |
| 27 June | Reserves Day | Reserves Day is part of Armed Forces Day programme |
| 30 June | National Armed Forces Day |  |
| 5 July | 70th Anniversary of the creation of the National Health Service |  |
| 22 August | Eid | *Beverley, there appear to be 2 different Eids, Eid al-Fitr and Eid al-Adha* |
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| 15 July | Disability Awareness Day | *Beverley, I am having difficulty with this and I wonder if this particular date should be on as there are so many variables and differing dates with slightly different titles* |
| 15 August | VJ Day (marking the end of WWII) |  |
| 3 September | Merchant Navy Day |  |
| 13-16 September | Heritage Open Days | For further information visit heritageopendays.org.uk |
| 1 October | Older Peoples Day |  |
| 21 October | Trafalgar Day |  |
| 7 November | Festival of Diwali |  |
| 11 November | Battle’s Over – A Nation’s Tribute | See link to site on NACO website |
| 11 November | Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day | 2 minutes silence |
| 11 November | 100th anniversary of Germany signing an armistice agreement with the Allies |  |

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| **2019** | **Event** | **Notes** |
| 27 January | Holocaust Memorial Day | 2018 theme is “Torn from Home” |
| 5 February | Chinese New Year | 2018 is the Year of the Pig |
| 7 and 8 March | NACO Training Event to be held in Wolverhampton | Further information will be available on NACO website |
| 8 March | International Women’s Day |  |
| 11 March | Fly the Flag for Commonwealth Day | See link to site on NACO website |
| 21 March | International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination |  |
| 21 April | Easter Sunday |  |
| 25 April | Anzac Day | Many services are held on the nearest Sunday |
| 5 May to 4 June | Ramadan |  |
| 6 May | 25th Anniversary of the Opening of the Channel Tunnel |  |
| 8 May | VE Day (marking the end of World War II in Europe) |  |
| 8 June | Trooping the Colour | Horse Guards Parade |
| 26 June\*  (tbc) | Reserves Day | Reserves Day is part of Armed Forces Day programme |
| 28 June | 100th Anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Versailles |  |
| 29 June | National Armed Forces Day |  |
| 20 July | 50th Anniversary of 1st landing on the moon |  |
| 11 August | Eid |  |
| 15 August | VJ Day (marking the end of WWII) |  |
| 3 September | Merchant Navy Day |  |
| 9 September | Emergency Services Day |  |
| 13-22 September | Heritage Open Days | For further information visit heritageopendays.org.uk |
| 1 October | Older Peoples Day |  |
| 21 October | Trafalgar Day |  |
| 27 October | Festival of Diwali |  |
| 10 November | Remembrance Sunday | 2 minutes silence |
| 11 November | Armistice Day | 2 minutes silence |
| 8 December | Centenary of 1st planting of trees by Forestry Commission |  |