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## List of 2018 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>

| 2018        | Event  | Notes                                     |
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| 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              |   |

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| 23 April          | St George's Day  | Annual Scout Parades are held near this date   |
| 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            | 75 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Dambusters Raid by 617 Squadron of the RAF |  |
| 9 June            | Trooping the Colour  | Horse Guards Parade  |
| 14 June           | Eid  |  |
| 27 June           | Reserves Day   | Reserves Day is part of Armed Forces Day programme   |
| 30 June           | National Armed Forces Day  |  |
| 5 July            | 70 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the creation of the National Health Service    |  |
| 15 August         | VJ Day (marking the end of WWII)   |  |
| 3 September       | Merchant Navy Day  |  |
| 13-16 September   | Heritage Open Days   | For further information visit <a href="http://heritageopendays.org.uk">heritageopendays.org.uk</a> |
| 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  |

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| 11 November | 100 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of Germany signing an armistice agreement with the Allies |  |
| 14 November | 70 <sup>th</sup> Birthday of HRH The Prince of Wales                                    |  |