

Haringey

FIRST WORLD WAR PEACE FORUM

Annual Report October 2016 – October 2017

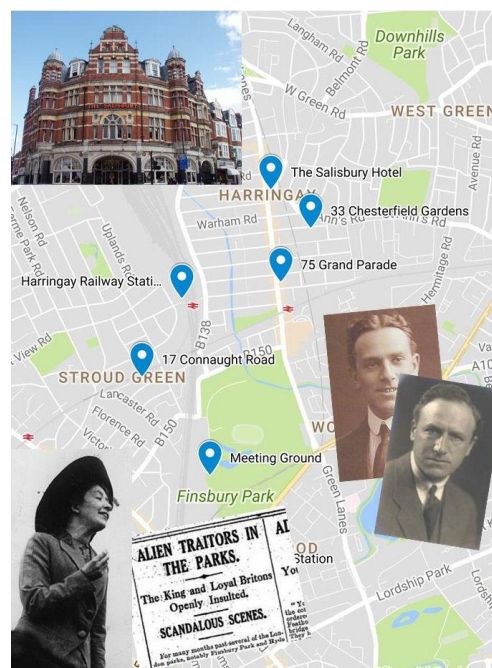
Haringey First World War Peace Forum was formally constituted in 2015 (although the group had already been meeting since 2013). Office-holders are: Valerie Flessati – chair; John Hinshelwood – secretary Jennifer Bell – treasurer; Joanna Bornat – fundraiser. Since October 2016 the Forum has met nine times to plan events and to share local and national information about First World War Peace activities.

The work of the Forum this year has largely followed the priorities discussed at the last AGM. These have been incorporated into an application to the Heritage Lottery Fund for a grant of £10,000 which has involved:

- Preparing the ground for elements of the proposed HLF project such as a performance by Michael Mears of his play 'This Evil Thing' about conscientious objection, and initial plans with stonemason, Will O'Leary, for a memorial to the 350 Haringey COs to be installed at Salisbury Corner.
- Obtaining support from the Haringey Traders Association, local Councillors and Haringey officials, Bruce Castle staff, and other local partner organisations.
- Attending two HLF advice sessions for prospective applicants – and submitting the bid.

During the course of the year we have also:

- Reviewed and updated the Forum's Wordpress website (<https://hfwwpf.wordpress.com>) to include general posts on conscientious objection.
- Attended the Local History Fair at Bruce Castle in February 2017.
- Made contributions to the Institute of Historical Research's Heritage Lottery funded project, 'Layers of London', using the website to mark all our COs, as well as participating in workshops, an interview on Radio London and in their HLF assessment.
- Had an application for a Peace Walk accepted for the Being Human Festival of Humanities on the theme of 'Lost and Found'.
- Contributed to Cyril Pearce's forthcoming book.
- Visited the Senate House Library Special Collection of publications collected during the FWW by the librarian Reginald Arthur Rye (including leaflets picked up during anti-war protests in Finsbury Park).



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