

JUSTICE FOR MARINE 'A'

Show of Support 16th December 2015

Purpose: On Wednesday 16 December, the wife of Alexander Blackman (Marine A) will submit an application to the Criminal Cases Review Commission (CCRC) requesting that his case be reviewed and referred back to the Court of Appeal. Hundreds of former serving personnel and members of the public will gather to show their support for Sgt Alexander Blackman.

Timings:

- 1215hrs - Arrival greeted by our magnificent Band
- 1245hrs - Form up as directed
- 1300hrs - Opening address by WO2 Jeff Williams
- 1305hrs - Second address by Jonathan Goldberg Q.C who will outline the legal aspects surrounding the appeal to the CCRC
- 1320hrs - Christmas carol 1: Jingle Bells
Christmas Carol 2: God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen
- 1330hrs - The parade will be brought to attention for the second address by Lieutenant Colonel Ewen Southby-Tailyour OBE
- 1340hrs - Christmas Carol 3: Good King Wenceslas
- 1345hrs - The parade will be brought to attention for the second address by Major General Malcolm Hunt OBE
- 1355hrs - Christmas Carol 4: Ding Dong Merrily on High
- 1400hrs - Final address and announcement of the documents being delivered to the CCRC
- 1405hrs - Final Christmas Carol 5: Hark! The herald angels sing
- 1410hrs - Parade will be dismissed

Dress: Veterans - Blazer/Suit, Regimental Ties, Berets and Medals (RM gold cap badges)
Civilians – Smart
Please consider the inclement weather so please dress accordingly

Travel information

Motorbikes

Bikers are all to meet at: Aston Parish Church, Birmingham, B6 6QA

You will be met by one of the admin team who will lead you to the event whereby an area for parking is in place.

Car parking

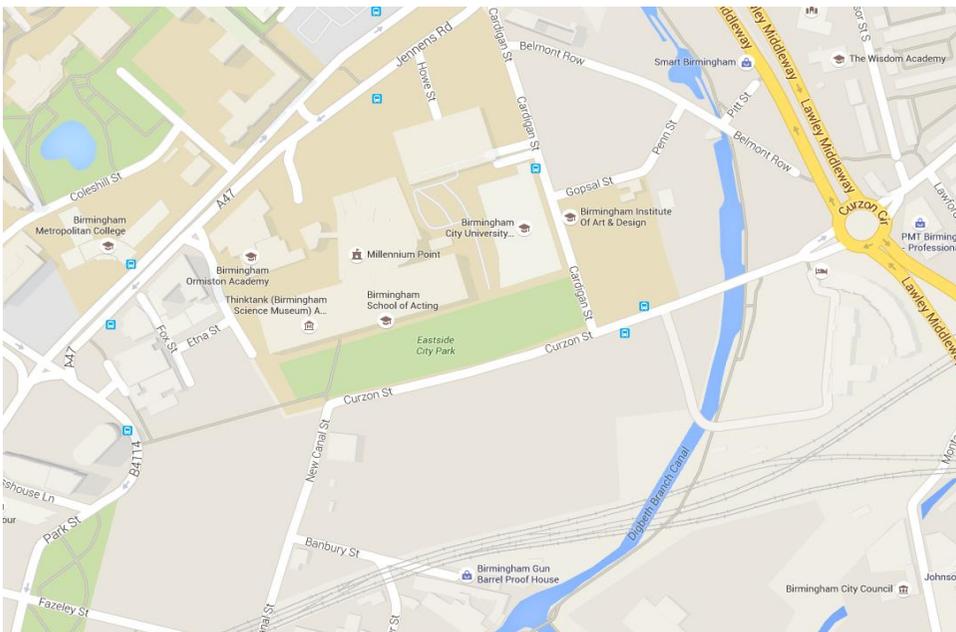
There are several car parks within walking distance from Eastside Park. All of which can be located here:

http://en.parkopedia.co.uk/parking/b4_7ap/

Train

Birmingham new street station is approximately 1mile away from where we will be standing

Event Location: Eastside Park, Curzon Street, Birmingham, B4 7AP (next to millennium point)



You can all see the Millennium Point sign on the building.

Underneath the sign on this picture are the 'steps' where the majority will stand.

The white blocks you can see below have a huge grass area to the left where, once the steps are full, others will stand.

Miscellaneous

As with any event we run the safety of all those attending is by far our main concern. To that end you will see a visible security and police presence. We will also have designated medical professional's onsite should they be required. If there are any issues on the day please follow all instructions of the stewards.

After the parade

We would like to invite you all to join us for a Christmas cheer at Walkabout on Broad Street. Walkabout have been fantastic in supporting the campaign and have yet again agreed to accommodate us.

The following orders are requested via West Midlands Police and must be adhered to for our safety

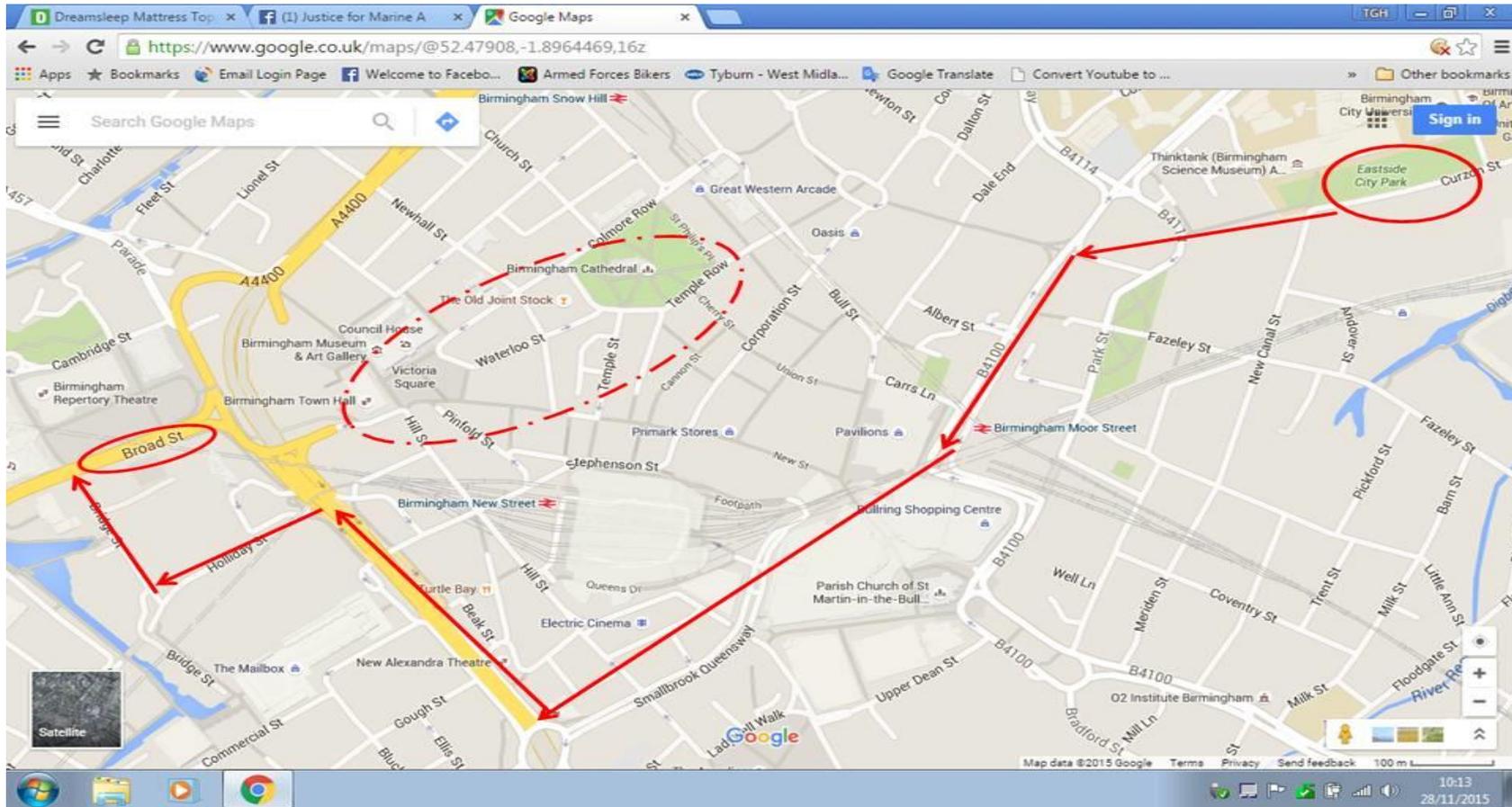
When we have finished 'Forming Up' we will walk with:

1. No head dress on when we walk through Birmingham to the end RV which is the "Walkabout Bar" on Broad Street.

(Walkabout Bar - Broad Street, Birmingham, West Midlands B1 2DS)

2. All Medals will be removed for blazers etc, and placed in pockets or bags you may have.

No one wants 'Paris' again, so we must be soft in relation to targets.



WEST MIDLANDS POLICE have also asked us not to walk through the centre of Birmingham, and have given me a route to take from Eastside Park, to Broad Street.

The RED dotted area is more or less the central area we must bypass.

Those 'Brummies' amongst you (like myself) will know the route.

It will take about 15/20 minutes to walk there.

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