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This exhibition relates the fascinating and moving stories of Richmond's First World War experience.

Thanks to an award from the Heritage Lottery Fund, volunteers have undertaken research in local archives in order to build a picture of the impact of WWI on the area.

During the period 1914-1918 Richmond made an important contribution to Britain's war effort, with many local men enlisting and many residents performing vital roles on the home front. Some of Richmond's most famous institutions were born out of this period with the founding of the Poppy Factory and The Royal Star and Garter Home. This exhibition offers a glimpse of how everyday life and the area were changed by the war.

The exhibition also explores some of the links that were forged between local people and other nationalities during the war and in its aftermath, including the story of the Belgian refugees and the South African Military hospital.

Please check our website www.museumofrichmond.com or call 02083321141 for full details on our programme of WWI events for the autumn, including: guided walks, talks, films and family workshops.



