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## The Regulating Branch and Royal Navy Police Association Welfare Representative

1. The aim of the Welfare Representative (WR) for the Regulating Branch & Royal Navy Police Association, be they lay or ordained. Is to have the Pastoral Care and Consideration of the Branch and its Membership, including their Spouses, at the centre of their heart. Thereby extending the helping hand of God to the Association, its membership and their spouses in a time of need. **Delegated Actions:**

1. **Bereavement & Funeral Services** – In the event that a member or members spouse dies, the WR will identify the circumstances to the membership using the Forum, and to the Provost Marshal (Navy), conveying any relevant information. This will include Funeral Arrangements, when the information is known. The WR will on behalf of the Chairman and Membership send a Card of Condolence to the next of kin and create a link with the family, when requested to do so. Passing that information on to the Membership Secretary and Hearsay Herald Editor Website Manager. Where flowers are requested as a tribute, the WR is permitted to order and despatch either a wreath or floral spray on behalf of the Association. The minimum wreath costs £44.95p and the minimum floral spray costs £42.50p (2008 values). Where money is requested in lieu of flowers, then no action should be taken. Or if a donation is requested and considered necessary by the Association, then a donation of £25 will be forwarded.

**The Parading of the Association Standard.** The parading of the Associations Standard will remain at the discretion of the Standard Bearer.

**Membership Attendance At Funerals.** No member of the Association is to feel obliged to attend any member's funeral service. It must remain a matter of individual conscience and availability. Where it is known that a group is to attend any given funeral, any member of the Association may volunteer to co-ordinate the event, keeping the WR, the Chairman and the Standard Bearer informed.

**Cards & Messages Of Good Intent** – Greetings Cards, Get Well Cards, Condolence Cards, etc. can and often are expensive. So where possible an Association Card should be printed for this purpose and used. This would remove the inequality of the card and the novelty factor, by replacing it with a uniform card that clearly identifies the Associations good intent.