

NICK CLEGG MEETS VETERANS AT FAMOUS LADY HAIG'S POPPY FACTORY

Nick Clegg, the leader of the Liberal Democrats, today (26 April) met Armed Forces veterans at the famous Lady Haig's Poppy Factory in Edinburgh, as part of his election campaign tour in Scotland.

Mr Clegg was given a tour of the Factory and was shown how to make poppies by the 36 veterans with disabilities who each year hand-assemble five million poppies and 8,000 wreaths for the Scottish Poppy Appeal in November.

The Liberal Democrat leader also learned about the work carried out by Poppyscotland, the charity that runs the Scottish Poppy Appeal. The organisation provides vital year-round support to veterans and their families living in Scotland, many of whom struggle to adjust to civilian life after leaving the Forces.

As well as supporting the veterans who work in the Factory, Poppyscotland provides financial assistance to individuals who are in need and helps to fund the work of specialist ex-Service organisations.

During the visit, Mr Clegg was accompanied by Tavish Scott MSP and the candidates for Edinburgh South and Edinburgh North & Leith - Fred Mackintosh and Kevin Lang.

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