

Examples of list descriptions



War Memorials Trust

On this sheet you will learn:

- How to write a list description by looking at examples of successful list descriptions.

Cawston war memorial list entry

Name and address: Cawston War Memorial, Cawston Cemetery, Cawston, Broadland, Norfolk

Custodian: Cawston Parish Council

Custodian Contact: N/A

Custodian Contact details: clerk@cawston-pc.gov.uk

REASON FOR DESIGNATION RECOMMENDATION

The war memorial, situated in Cawston Cemetery, is recommended for designation at Grade II for the following principal reasons:

Historic Interest: as an eloquent witness to the tragic impact of world events on the local community, and the sacrifice it made in the conflicts of the C20.

LIST ENTRY

History

The memorial was erected after the First World War about 1920, possibly funded by the Parish Council and the British Legion. Another inscription listing the names of those who fell in the Second World War was added in 1950. In July 1999 the memorial was struck by lightning and the entire top section of the shaft and the cross were destroyed. Conservation and repair work was carried out in 2000, paid for by War Memorials Trust. The memorial was rededicated on 9 June 2001 and a plaque added to the flowerbed.

Details

The memorial, of Clipsham limestone, consists of a wheel cross set on a tall octagonal column with a chamfered base, set on a square plinth that sits on a two-stepped brick and limestone base. The cross is decorated with carved trefoil shapes at its arm ends and an intricate, moulded box-shaped collar where the cross meets the column.

An inscription on the front face of the plinth reads IN MEMORY OF / THE MEN OF CAWSTON / WHO FELL IN THE GREAT WAR / 1914 – 1919 / I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE. The men who fell in World War I are listed on the plinth's other faces.

Another inscription on the front face of the base reads 1939 – 1945, with the names of those who fell in the Second World War listed beneath. These inscriptions are incised.

The memorial sits on a raised circular flowerbed. In the flowerbed is a square marble plaque that reads THIS WAR MEMORIAL / WAS RE-DEDICATED / 9TH JUNE 2001 / HAVING BEEN RESTORED / AFTER LIGHTNING DAMAGE. This inscription is incised and painted black.

St Matthew with Holy Trinity war memorial list entry

Name and address: St Matthew with Holy Trinity War Memorial, St Matthew Street, Habergham Eves, Burnley, BB11 4JJ

Custodian: St Matthew's Church Parochial Church Council

Custodian Contact: Maureen Rackham, St Matthew's Church Parochial Church Council secretary

Custodian Contact details: N/A

REASON FOR DESIGNATION RECOMMENDATION

The war memorial, situated in the churchyard of Holy Trinity Church, is recommended for designation at Grade II for the following principal reasons:

Historic Interest: as an eloquent witness to the tragic impact of world events on the local community, and the sacrifice it made in the conflicts of the C20.

LIST ENTRY

History

The memorial was funded by public subscription and designed by J Harold Gibbons FRIBA of Manchester who also oversaw its construction. It was unveiled on May 1922 by Mr RS Bardsley and dedicated by Rev H Pritt, Rev John Barney and Mr J Longbottom. The original bronze cross was stolen and later replaced by the present cross. A bronze plaque was also removed and later found in 1994. Conservation and repair work was carried out in 2014, paid for by War Memorials Trust.

Details

The memorial, of Portland stone, consists of a bronze Latin cross on a stone orb set on a triangular column, which rises from a triangular plinth that sits on a circular base. On the front face of the column is attached a carved wreath and the inscription 1914 / 1919 in bas-relief.

An inscription around the base of the memorial reads IN HONOUR OF OUR MEN WHO FELL IN THE GREAT WAR / 1914-1918 / TO OUR GLORIOUS DEAD / THEIR NAME LIVETH FOR EVERMORE / THEY DIED THAT WE MIGHT LIVE. All inscriptions are incised.