Secondary resource sheet Looking at a war memorial



Use the table below to record information and your thoughts about the war memorial. This can be used to compare war memorials if you visit more that one. The bullet points provide some additional guidance about things to look for to help you answer the questions.

Memorial name and location Remember the location of a war memorial can be significant to the community so describe this clearly for future reference.	
Who or what does the	
memorial commemorate?	
Description of the war memorial. Remember to include: • What type of war memorial it is • What it is made from • What images or features does it have?	
What are the inscriptions on	
the war memorial?	
Is there a list of names? Is the lettering include.	
 Is the lettering incised, carved, raised, painted or leaded? 	
What information about	
those commemorated does	
the memorial give?	
Is the memorial accessible to the public? Is the memorial in an open space or locked? Does the location make access easy and safe?	

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 What sort of condition is the memorial in? Do the materials look in a good state of repair or are there cracks, stains, corrosion or missing elements? Are the inscriptions legible? If not what is causing this? (E.g. pollution deposits, erosion) Is the surrounding area well maintained? Is the memorial structurally stable? 	
any further information	
about the memorial that you find out during your visit or	
to make any additional	
notes.	