

## Colsterworth & District Parish Council

### **Press Release**

# Colsterworth war memorial receives a funding boost from Grants for War Memorials Trust Grants Scheme

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Colsterworth war memorial benefits from a grant of £1500 from the War Memorials Trust Grants scheme.

The money enabled an investigation to understand and formulate a repair strategy for the accelerated stone loss at base level. Water appears to be leaching through the base and is causing the stone to split and shear. The investigation aimed to understand the construction of the plinth and the source of the water ingress. Over the course of a day, one side of the plinth was dismantled under the supervision PPIY architects. The focus of the investigation was on the lowest level and of the foundation of the memorial. Following these investigations, a report was produced outlining the threats to our war memorial allowing the Parish Council to consider measures to repair and protect the 101-year-old Grade II listed memorial.



Those involved in the project are PPIY Architects, Colsterworth and District Parish Council, The War Memorials Trust and Colsterworth Festival of Remembrance.

Frances Moreton, Director, War Memorials Trust said, "War memorials are a link between previous generations, ours and those who follow us. They enable us to pay tribute to the sacrifices of so many. War Memorials Trust is delighted to support this project and assist the community to improve the condition of the war memorial. If anyone knows of any other war memorials in need of help please contact the charity or, if you believe in the importance of our work, support us as the charity can only give further grants if it raises enough money."

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#### **Notes to editors**

- 1. War Memorials Trust is an independent registered charity. Established in 1997 due to concerns about neglect and vandalism it works to protect and conserve war memorials. It provides advice, information and administers grants schemes that assist the repair and conservation of war memorials across the UK. As a charity the Trust relies on voluntary contributions to undertake its work. Supporters include annual and life members, donors, charitable trusts and corporate contributors. www.warmemorials.org
- 2. War Memorials Trust administers a number of grant programmes supporting war memorials across the UK. Further information on the funding available can be found at <a href="www.warmemorials.org/grants">www.warmemorials.org/grants</a>. Examples of projects previously supported, which can be searched by county and country, can be found at <a href="www.warmemorials.org/search-grants">www.warmemorials.org/search-grants</a>.

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