

Belton In Rutland War Memorial Planning Application Design & Access Statement.

Planning Ref:

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Context. War memorial on base of early cross c1919. Memorial has a tall moulded shaft to cross with crown as capital, and the earlier base is a large squared sandstone block with attached engraved slates recording the names of the fallen, mounted on 2 octagonal steps. On the base stone, Charles I is reputed to have sat after the battle of Naseby, and it is known locally as the Kings Stone. Recently the history of the war memorial has been researched and initially one name from the First World War was found to be missing, this was corrected by the addition of a new plaque, in a similar material and style as existing plaques. Subsequently two World War 2 casualties whose connection to Belton would merit their addition to the memorial also.

Proposed work to listed monument.

War Memorial - Name Plaque

The existing plaque has sufficient space to have one name added, the second will be on a separate plaque placed below the existing one. The material and letter style & size to be as the original plaque

Lt Col WA Macfarlane MC, who was killed en route to Java from Sumatra.

John Butchart, - who is actually buried in our church, with a CWGC headstone

War Memorial - Repairs

The cross and earlier king stone are both in reasonable condition, the 2 octagonal steps that support the stone are constructed with sandstone blocks. Over time have the blocks have deteriorated and their condition is likely to get worse as water can now penetrate.

New blocks of similar material will be used to replace the damaged ones and any defective pointing will be repaired.

The top surfaces of the steps have an amount of green moss and lichens growing that make the steps slippery. Permission is sort to clean only these areas.

Dwarf stone wall – Repair

Re-use existing blocks to repair damage on corner caused to wall by car/lorry/tractor.

Access

The work will not alter the access to the memorial.