

Potterne Erectíon of the War Memoríal 1920

Committee for the erection of a War Memorial was elected at a public meeting on 17th February 1920.

Chairman, Treasurer & Hon. Secretary – Walter Hercules Kewley (The Vicar of Potterne 1911 - 1936) Secretary – Mrs. Rogers Assistant Secretary – Mrs. Stoakes There were 38 other members.

The Committee was instructed "to investigate the cost and character of various forms of memorial and report back to a public meeting of subscribers"

Architect

Mr Richmond was selected.

Design

From 9 firms which tendered designs, Mr Richmond was selected. Since Mr Richmond's appointment he has departed to Palestine therefore his partner Mr. St. Leger is overseeing the work.

Memorial Site

The top of the steps at the north-east side of the Church, between the yew trees – some of which will need to be cut done.

Funding

To raise £200 by subscription. By 29 November 1920, £151 had been raised with £56 of promises.

Dedication

Dedication by Bishop Taylor Smith, Chaplain-General on 7 June 1921 at 7.30 pm. Or possibly took place 17 June 1921. Newspaper article, Western Gazette 21 June 1921.

Names on the Memorial

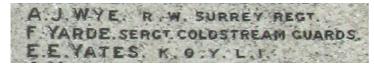
Bailey	F.	Pte.
Bridewell	Herbert	Pte., Wilts. Regt.
Burbidge	Alec. George	21492 Pte., Wilts. Regiment. Died 2 nd June 1917
Chaplin	Thomas J.	3/674 Sergt., 3 rd Battn Wilts.
Clack	Albert Edward	Chief Mechanic, Royal Air Force
Clack	Frederick Albert	Pte., 6 th Dublin Fusiliers. Born 21 Apr 1889, killed in action 4 Nov 1918

Davidson	R.	Eng. Lt. R. D. R.
Doe	John	Sergt., Tank Corps.
Edwards	Thomas	Lance. Corp., Tank Corps.
Fidler	T.	Pte.
Godden	Harry William	1867 Pte., 1/4 th Wilts. Died 29 April 1915.
Hand	Wilfred John	Pte., 1 st Wilts.
Harris	James	2829 Pte., 6 th Munster Fusiliers
Huntley	Arthur. G.	Corp., 50th Battn. Canadian Infantry
Lampard	John. R.	951037 Driver, Royal Field Artillery
Medlicott	Stephen	Flt. Lt., Royal Navy., Royal Navel Air Service. Born 22 at 1892, killed in action 26 Apr 1915.
Merrett	Stephen Herbert	280417 First Class Stoker, H.M.S. "Vivid." Royal Navy
Moxham	Alfred	Pte., 1 st Wilts.
Offer	Walter	6915 Pte. 1 st Wilts.
Palmer	Frank Albert	203018 Pte.1/4th Battn., Dorset
Tully	James	Corp., Army Service Corps.
Underwood	Albert Edward	3523 Leading Seaman, H. M. S. Alert, R. N. Died P.O.W., 6 Sep 1916
Underwood	Jesse	Pte., 1/4 th Wilts. Killed in Action 22 Nov 1917
Underwood	Harry	Sergt., 1/4 th Wilts.
Wheeler	William A.	Pte.
Yarde	Frank	Sergt. 1 st Coldstream Guards - Camberley

The Committee, with great regret could not consider Lieut. Robert Torrington Gwatkins, name eligible for the memorial.

OPC Notes:

There is a brass memorial to him inside the church. Of the Carabiniers, died 23 April 1917. F. Yarde name is inscribed on the Camberley Memorial Cross,.



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A bundle of papers relating to the erection of the War Memorial