



WAR MEMORIAL

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 40/14

19 MAY 2014

The purpose of this report is to ask for Members' approval to commit the ring-fenced £6,296 funding for the improvement of the War Memorial.

No. DETAIL

1) BACKGROUND

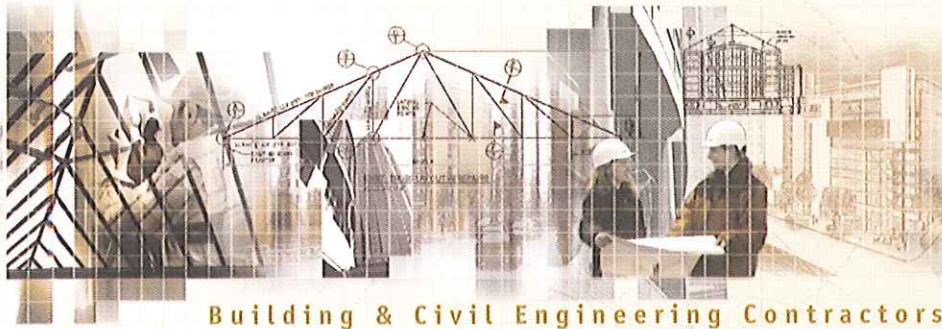
- a) Following concerns about the appearance and stability of the War Memorial at Town Council meetings in early 2012, the Town Council agreed in Minute 47/12 of its meeting of 16 April 2012 to submit a funding application to the War Memorials Trust for 50% of the estimated total cost of an amount close to but less than £40,000.
 - b) Funding of £5,000 was also secured from the Isle of Wight Council's Economic Improvement Fund of that year.
 - c) Detailed investigations were carried out in respect of the underpinning that would be necessary to secure stability over the long-term as it was agreed by all parties that necessary restoration works to the base of the Memorial could not sensibly be carried out if underpinning was then shown to be necessary.
 - d) An application was submitted to the War Memorials Trust on 26 September 2012 but was refused on the grounds that evidence of the need for the expensive underpinning operations was not available: the Trust recommended that monitoring be put in place over an 18 month period.
 - e) Arrangements for quarterly monitoring were put in place with Tari Willis and funded by the Town Council. Their final monitoring visit established that there had been no movement against the vertical over that period.
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2) CURRENT PROPOSAL

- a) The possibility of carrying out refurbishment works to the now cracked and uneven paving forming the base of the Memorial has been raised by two developments.
 - b) The first, and by far the more important, is the major re-dedication of the War Memorial planned by Ventnor's Branch of the Royal British Legion for 4 August this year as part of its commemoration of the start of the first World War.
 - c) The other is the fact that although the remaining element of the Isle of Wight Council's Economic Improvement Fund allocation for this work should have been committed by 31 March 2013, they have allowed the funding of £3,148 to be available to the Town Council provided it, and the Town Council's match funding, is committed to this timeline.
 - d) The other condition of the retention of the funding was that the Town Council's commitment to the work was evidenced by an appropriate quotation. The quotation from D N Associates Ltd is attached for Members' information.
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3) RECOMMENDATION

The Town Council is recommended to delegate authority to commission and complete the works to the base of the War Memorial to the Town Clerk advised by Councillor Jim Toogood.



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QUOTATION

Our Ref: DPN/HVN/QX27027

21 March 2014

Mr D Bartlett
Ventnor Town Council
Coastal Centre
Salisbury Gardens
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Ventnor
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Dear Mr Bartlett

**REMEDIAL REPAIRS – WAR MEMORIAL, PARK AVENUE, VENTNOR,
ISLE OF WIGHT**

We write with reference to our recent site meeting with councillor Toogood regarding remedial repairs at the above and submit our quotation below.

To undertake all works for the sum of £6,351.00 (six thousand three hundred and fifty one pounds) excluding VAT

Our quotation includes the following:

- 1.1 Allow for all works to comply with current legislations to include temporary site fencing and facilities.
- 1.2 Carefully lift and salvage raised areas of stone plinth for later use.
- 1.3 Excavate locally high spots and provide new compacted sub-base.
- 1.4 Relay salvaged stone to levels pleasing with the eye to reduce high and low spots wherever possible.
- 1.5 Rake out and repoint areas of loose and missing mortar.
- 1.6 Clear site upon completion of works.



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Our payment terms are monies due within 14 days of invoice.

This quotation will remain valid for 2 months from the date above.

We thank you for the opportunity of quoting for these works and await your further instructions.

Yours sincerely,

D.P. Norville

David Norville
Managing Director