

Eastergate Parish Council



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By email to: planning@arun.gov.uk

Copy:

Garry Sleet, Clerk to Eastergate Parish Council
Chris Allington, Chair Eastergate Parish Council

Dear Neil

Ref EG/92/17/L

Further to your letter dated 6th December 2017

1:1250 Plan – See attached

1:200 Plan – See attached

Design and Access Statement

In 2017 the Eastergate Lion War Memorial, a Grade 2 Listed monument was cleaned under the guidance of the War Memorials Trust (WMT) who part funded the work. Post cleaning the WMT Conservation Officer inspected the engravings and advised repair to the World War 1 engraved name of CECIL GODLEY as it has become indistinct due to weathering. The name is on the war memorial in the following position:-



The repair is approved by Historic England and involves:

- Removing damaged stone
- *Replacing with NANOLIME (See attached PDF Guide)*

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- Re-cutting lettering to the original size and font

On receipt of all approvals Eastergate Parish Council will run a competitive tender process for a suitably qualified stone mason to carry out the work.

Heritage Statement

In determining applications, local planning authorities require an applicant to describe the significance of any heritage assets affected, including any contribution made by their setting. The level of detail needs to be proportionate to the assets' importance and no more than is sufficient to understand the potential impact of the proposal on their significance.

The Eastergate memorial is fourteen feet tall and is a lion atop a concrete plinth sited in the centre of Eastergate Square, originally on a triangle of land which is today a traffic island at the junction of the A29 and Barnham Road (B2233). The unveiling, by the Duke of Richmond and Gordon of Goodwood House, took place on 19th December 1920. It is reported that his speech stated: *"Home dwellers or strangers, no one can pass through Eastergate henceforth without a thought for the men who died in the war. The Parish Memorial, a stone monument mounted by a well carved Lion, stands on the green in the centre of the square where every passer-by must see it and be reminded of what it stands for."*



The Lion War Memorial remembers the fallen of the 1914-18 war which had a tremendous impact on the country and was felt especially in small villages like Eastergate where such a large proportion of their young men were lost. In many cases families were left to mourn with no funeral and no grave; sons, husbands, brothers, fathers and lovers went away and never returned. The fallen from the second World War were added later.

Barnham and Eastergate jointly hold a Remembrance Sunday Commemoration Service which is regularly attended by over 500 members of the local community.

Cecil Godley did his duty to King and Country and enlisted in 1914. He was killed in action at Arras, France on May 15th 1916. There is no known grave and he is commemorated on the Arras Memorial, France

In this instance, the impact of this proposal is simply to repair the Lion War Memorial as advised by War Memorials Trust and Historic England and planning permission is solely required as it is a Grade II listed monument.

Yours sincerely

Renford Marsden
On behalf of Eastergate Parish Council