News statement

Sheffield Crimean war memorial

War Memorials Trust

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In response to the release of The Victorian Society's Top Ten Most Endangered Victorian and Edwardian Buildings in England and Wales 2014 War Memorials Trust adds its voice to the call for the Crimean war memorial to be returned to public display.

This memorial is an important link to the past reminding us of our history and remembering those who fell in service. War Memorials Trust has held discussions with the council over many years and hopes that the time is now right for them to work with others to ensure this memorial is available again for all to appreciate and visit to pay their respects. The project may be eligible for funding from grant schemes run by War Memorials Trust and the charity would be delighted to work with the council, and others, on this project.

Frances Moreton, Director War Memorials Trust: "In February 2016 it will be 160 years since the end of the Crimean War which this memorial commemorates. It would be wonderful if the council and community could come together to ensure that that event is marked by the return of this wonderfully impressive memorial to its rightful place as a landmark in the city."

Ends

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Images

An image of the memorial on its original site can be found at www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk/node/120545.

Notes to editors

- 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.
- War Memorials Trust provides grants that can assist repair and conservation of war memorials. Contact the Conservation Team to discuss eligibility on 020 7233 7356 / 0300 123 0764 or <u>conservation@warmemorials.org</u> or download a 'Grants Pre-application form' from www.warmemorials.org/grants/.
- 3. War Memorials Trust provides a free advisory service to anyone with a war memorial enquiry. Specialist Conservation Officers are available on 020 7233 7356 / 0300 123 0764 or conservation@warmemorials.org.