

War Memorial Inscriptions Policy

The parish council will consider applications for names to be recorded on the War Memorial on a case by case basis, however the primary purpose of a parish War Memorial is to record the residents of the parish whom have lost their lives in the service of their country.

The names of currently or recently serving Forces Personnel will be considered for addition to the War Memorial if they are killed during active service when the United Kingdom's Armed Forces (including Merchant Navy if employed by HM Government) are involved in conflicts, including serving under NATO. Serving Forces Personnel who are killed by terrorist action will also be considered. One of the following criteria must also be met:

• At the time of death the forces personnel was living within the civil parish of Boxley or immediately prior to enlisting (and therefore possibly changing to the Service Vote Register) they were listed on the electoral roll for Boxley Parish.

Previously serving Forces personnel Killed in Action will be considered for addition to the War Memorial if they are killed during active service when the United Kingdom's Armed Forces (including Merchant Navy if employed by HM Government) are involved in conflicts, including serving under NATO. Serving Forces Personnel who are killed by terrorist action will also be considered. One of the following criteria must also be met:

- There is a Commonwealth War Grave in the churchyard.
- At the time of death, the forces personnel were living in the civil parish of Boxley. Immediately prior to enlisting they were living in the civil parish of Boxley.

Forces personnel who have died after leaving the services but whose death is directly related to injuries (physical or mental) sustained whilst serving will be considered for addition if they meet any of the above criteria.

Regretfully the parish council will not consider including names if:

- The person was born in Boxley and then moved away/emigrated or if they moved away from the area (meaning that they had set up home elsewhere) prior to enlisting.
- The name is included on another civil parish War Memorial.
- The family subsequently settles in Boxley or lived for a time in Boxley but the forces personnel had no other connection to the area.