



What is the statutory list?

The statutory list is the record of structures deemed to be of national architectural and/or historical importance in the UK. It includes secular buildings of all types, places of worship, statues, sculptures and structures as diverse as telephone boxes, drinking fountains and market crosses.

The statutory list is compiled by the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport on advice from the relevant heritage organisation, i.e. English Heritage, Historic Scotland, Cadw or the Northern Ireland Environment Agency.

Why list war memorials?

War Memorials Trust encourages the listing of war memorials as a way of providing legal protection for these monuments. A listed war memorial is immediately protected by law, and any changes to it must first receive listed building consent. Its details also become part of the public record.

Listing a war memorial does not mean that changes or alterations cannot be made. It ensures that any changes or alterations respect the character of the war memorial and that the case for its preservation is fully taken into account when any redevelopment plans are considered.

Eligibility for listing

Please note that the war memorials must be **freestanding** in order to be considered for listing. This means that war memorial plaques attached to buildings cannot be listed in their own right.

Also, utilitarian or functional memorials (e.g. village halls, pavilions or hospitals) may incorporate memorial inscription panels, but are first and foremost buildings and need to be judged for listing against the listing standards of the relevant building type. They cannot, therefore, be listed purely because they are war memorials.

In general the criteria used for listing are:

- architectural interest: works of well known architects or examples of structures which are important for their architectural design, decoration, craftsmanship and materials employed;
- historic interest: structures that illustrate important aspects of the nation's social, economic, cultural, industrial or military history;
- close historical association with nationally important buildings, events or people;
- group value, especially where buildings comprise an important architectural or historic group or streetscape or are a fine example of planning.

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How to list a war memorial

Anyone can apply for a war memorial to be listed – local authorities, amenity and historical societies or individual members of the public.

- **Check if a war memorial is already listed**

Contact the Conservation Officer at your local authority and they will be able to confirm whether or not it is listed. War Memorials Trust recommends that you make your local Conservation Officer aware of your plans to apply for listed status at this stage.

- **Research the history of the war memorial**

A well-researched application stands a better chance of success. If possible, you should establish any interesting background information. Please see War Memorials Trust's 'Researching the history of a war memorial' helpsheet for further information.

- **Request listing**

An application for listing should be sent to the relevant heritage organisation and can be submitted by completing an online form (see contact details below) or by sending hardcopies of the necessary information:

- a covering letter explaining that you are applying for listing - include the name of the war memorial, where it is located, a brief description, any historical information and who the current custodian of the memorial is;
- maps showing clearly the location of the war memorial;
- recent photographs of the war memorial;
- a copy of the UK National Inventory of War Memorials record for the memorial, if available (c/o Imperial War Museum, Lambeth Road, London SE1 6HZ, T: 020 7207 9851, E: memorials@iwm.org.uk, W: www.ukniwm.org.uk);
- copies of any additional information about the war memorial.

English Heritage

Online form: www.english-heritage.org.uk/nominate

East of England: Heritage Protection, East Territory, English Heritage, Brooklands, 24 Brooklands Avenue, Cambridge CB2 8BU, E: applicationseast@english-heritage.org.uk

North of England: Heritage Protection, North Territory, English Heritage, 37 Tanner Row, York YO1 6WP, E: applicationsnorth@english-heritage.org.uk

West of England: Heritage Protection, West Territory, English Heritage, 29 Queen Square, Bristol BS1 4ND, E: applicationswest@english-heritage.org.uk

South of England: Heritage Protection, South Territory, English Heritage, 1 Waterhouse Square, 138-142 Holborn, London EC1N 2ST, E: applicationssouth@english-heritage.org.uk

Historic Scotland

Online form: www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/index/heritage/historicandlistedbuildings/Listingproposal.htm

Listings Team, Historic Scotland, Longmore House, Salisbury Place, Edinburgh EH9 1SH, T: 0131 668 8701/5, E: hs.inspectorate@scotland.gsi.gov.uk

Cadw

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