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The Ernest Stevens Trust

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The War Memorial in Mary Stevens Park
Stourbridge

Dear Sirs,

I am the Chairperson of a group of World War 2 Veterans and relatives of the casualties of WW2 who were and are generally resident in the Stourbridge/Dudley area.

The discovery some years ago of the beautiful stained glass Memorial Window in Christchurch the Lye and Stambermill led us to trace the history of the brave men named on this window who had made the final sacrifice. There are 49 names on the window all of whom were from the area of Lye and Wollescote, Stourbridge, in addition to these it was noted that a further 11 men of the district were casualties and not recorded on the window. As a result of these findings our group presented to the Church a Memorial Book which now includes the records of the 60 men who were casualties of the 1939-1945 conflict.

During the course of our research it was noted that of these 60 named men 26 of them are not identified upon the War Memorial in Mary Stevens Park. We have made an approach to the Dudley Council to make an application to have these missing names added to the Memorial on a purpose made plaque to match as close as possible the existing plaques, in a vacant space on the base. The Council have a favourable approach to this request subject to the submission of suitable details of design and position etc.



I am writing to your organisation and others who may have an interest in this project and who may wish to comment or express an opinion or objection and would appreciate an early response.

We are approaching various local and Nationwide organisations for assistance with the funding for the project which we hope will be successful.

Yours faithfully



Raymond Griffiths

Chairman

The Teutoburger Wald Group

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The Friends of Mary Stevens Park

The Royal British Legion Stourbridge