

## **Report to the Full Council, 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

### **Re-positioning the War Memorial at The Triangle**

#### **1. Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 To determine whether it would be beneficial to re-position the War Memorial and to determine a process to move forward.

#### **2. Background**

- 2.1 The reasoning for moving the War Memorial is to provide long term protection from collisions (as a monument) and provide better visibility at this junction.
- 2.2 The suggestion new location is 5 feet to the right and approx. 5 feet backwards (towards the public house The 3 Cups). This would remove the 2 parking spaces which are under-used and are difficult to access. We would also like to use the new use of space to provide seating as a place for reflection.
- 2.3 Town Clerk has contacted War Memorials Trust who confirmed the memorial is Grade II listed
- 2.4 War Memorials Trust believes that, where possible, a war memorial should be preserved in its original location and usually does not support relocation unless it is inaccessible or if its current position is putting it at risk.
- 2.5 War Memorials Trust believes this can cause upset in the local community and suggest that there is a consultation process.
- 2.6 As the memorial is in a Conservation Area, its relocation would be considered 'Demolition' and permission will need to be obtained by the local planning authority.

#### **3. Financial Implications & Risks**

- 3.1 Costing is yet unknown, but is likely to involve structural engineer, plant machinery & road closures.
- 3.2 Damage to the structure of the Grade II Listed War Memorial or its surroundings to the expense of the Council

#### **4. Recommendation**

- 4.1 If the council is in agreement, to proceed to a public consultation.

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