ASHINGTON WAR MEMORIALS

In 1902 a Memorial to honour 64 men from Ashington who served in the Boer War was erected on Station Road. The Memorial was removed in 1943 because it was considered unsafe.

After the First World War plaques were installed at Ashington Hospital to recognise those from Ashington who lost their lives in the ‘Great War’ and a further plaque was added after the Second World War. These plaques were eventually placed at Ashington Cricket Club.

In 1983 a new War Memorial was built on this site with a modernist feature. The modernist feature was replaced in 2001 with the ‘Unknown Soldier’ which has now been placed on the present Memorial as part of the Ashington Memorial Garden project, completed in 2015.

Ashington can rightly be proud of the service given by its people in times of conflict

The Ashington War Memorial honours over 1,000 people from the town who gave their lives in the two World Wars. In addition, a Memorial recognising service in conflicts after 1945 is also centrally placed within the Garden.

In Bothal village, on the outskirts of Ashington, a War Memorial is situated next to St. Andrew’s Church which recognises 57 personnel from the then parish of Bothal who gave their lives in the two World Wars.

More detailed information on Ashington’s War Memorials, the Ashington Memorial Garden Project and the town’s history can be found on Ashington Town Council’s website at: www.ashingtontowncouncil.gov.uk