

Farnhill Volunteers and the WW1 Poets - 12

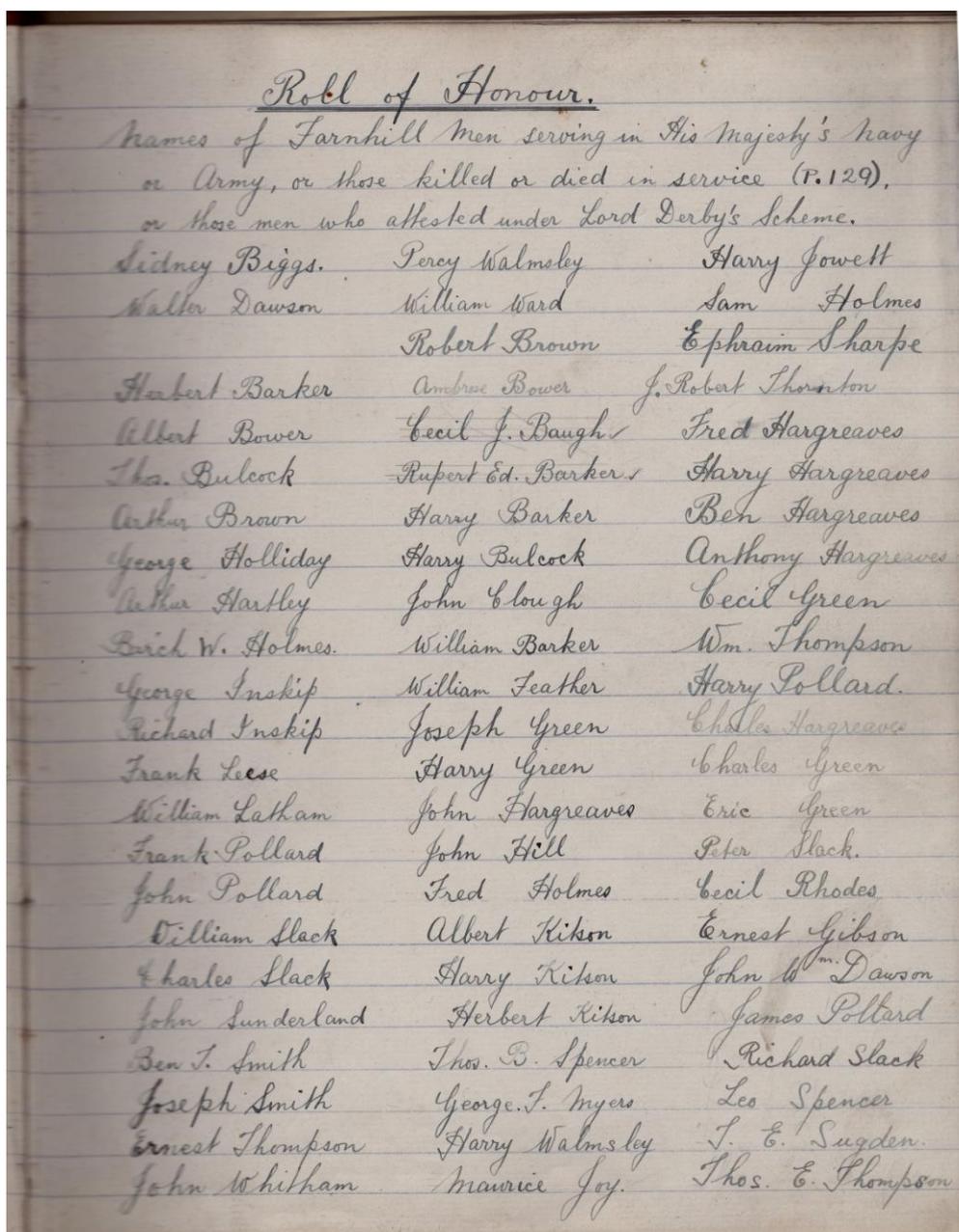
Memorials and Rolls of Honour - So None Forgets by Estelle Lancaster

It seems appropriate to end this collection of articles about the Farnhill Volunteers and the WW1 Poets with a piece on war memorials and a poem about them written in this century.

The Farnhill WW1 Volunteers are commemorated on a number of memorials.

Farnhill Parish Council Roll of Honour

Location: Written on the inside front cover of the minute book of Farnhill Parish Council for 1908 – 1930.



This Roll, which formed the basis of the Farnhill WW1 Volunteers Project, was compiled in February 1916 and lists the men of the village who were already serving, or who died on active service, or who had volunteered to serve, before the introduction of mandatory conscription.

Kildwick War Memorial

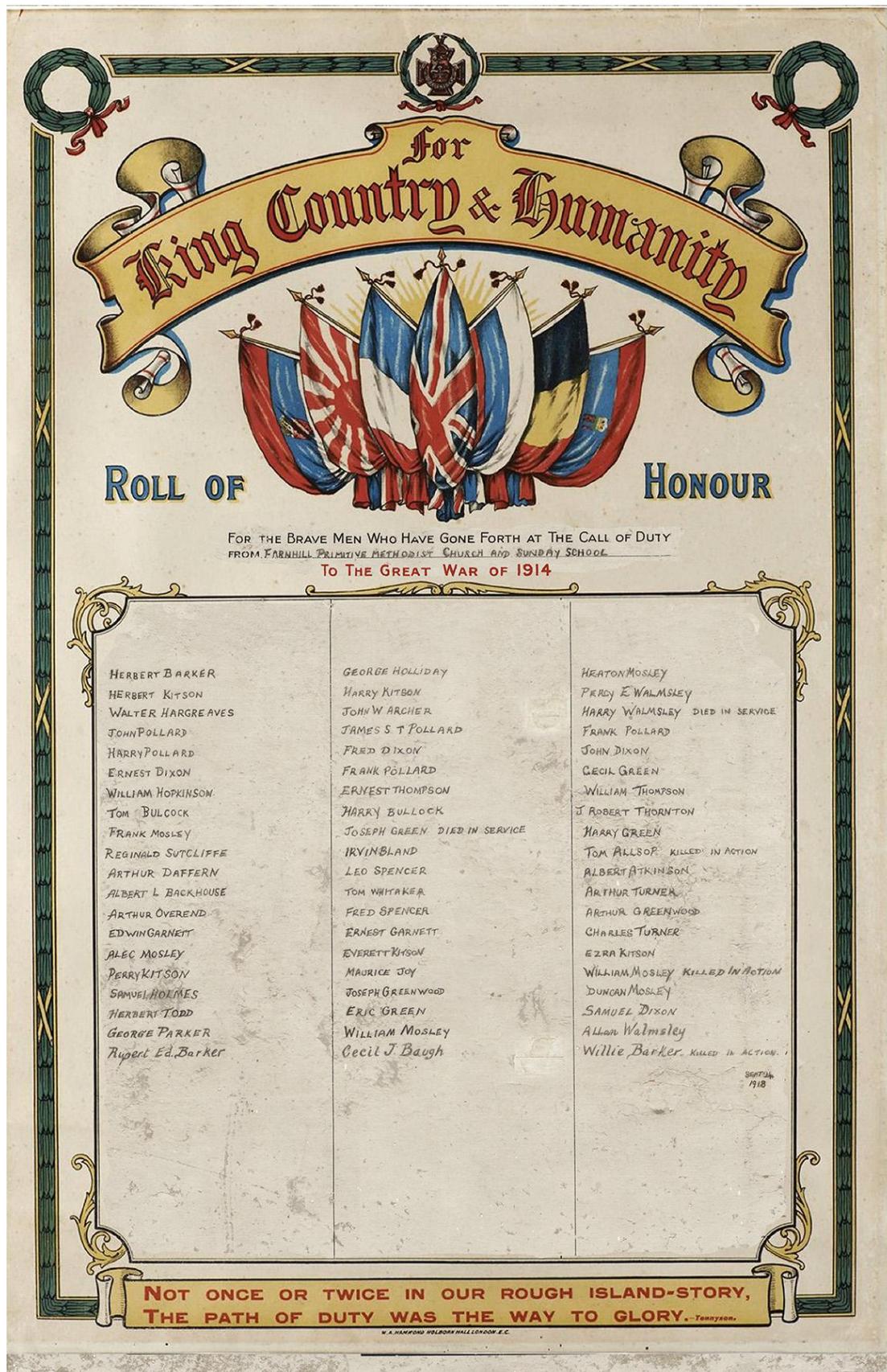
Location: On the roadside, in front of St. Andrew's Church



The memorial records the names of the dead of both World Wars from Kildwick Parish.

Farnhill Methodist Chapel Roll of Honour

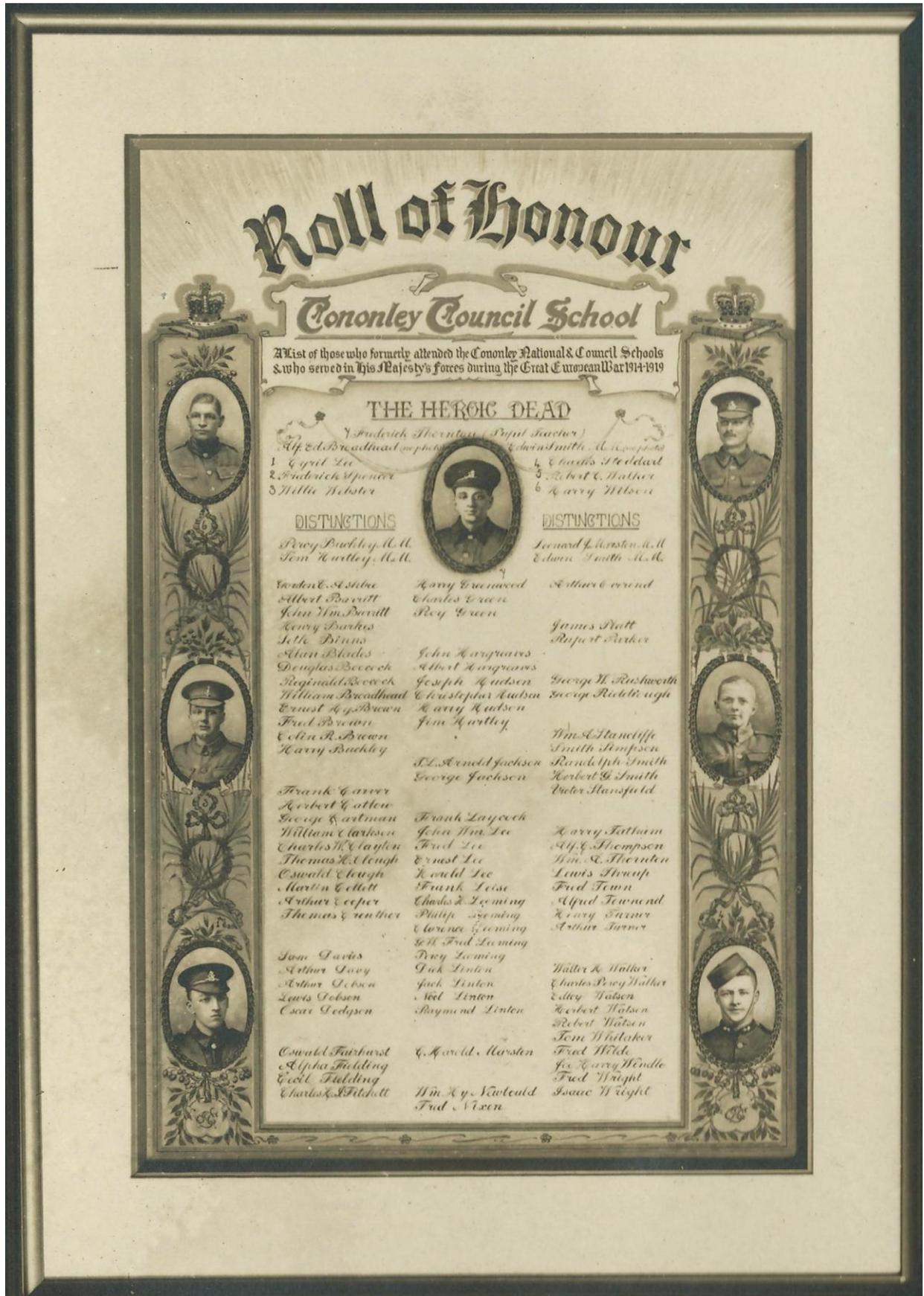
Location: Kildwick & Farnhill Institute, Main Street, Farnhill



It was the WW1 project’s great privilege to be able to have this Roll of Honour restored, and arrange for it to be put on permanent public display. The Roll names the members of Farnhill Methodist Chapel who served during WW1.

Cononley School Roll of Honour

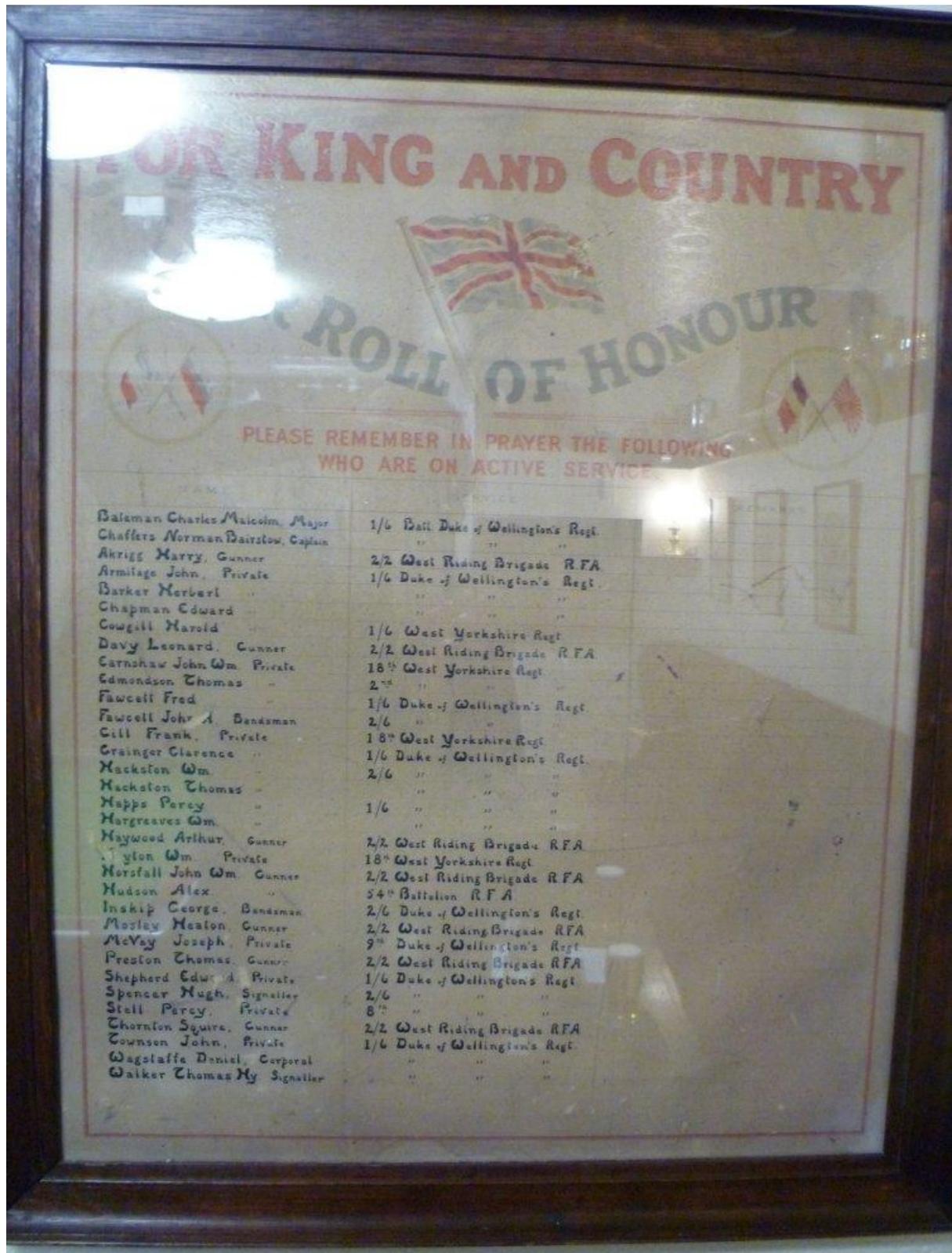
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This Roll lists the former pupils of Cononley school who served during WW1.

Bairstow's Mill Roll of Honour

Location: King's Arms, Sutton-in-Craven



A list of the men of T. and M. Bairstow's mill in Sutton-in-Craven, who served during WW1.

Skipton Division Liberal and Conservative Associations(SDLCA) Roll of Honour

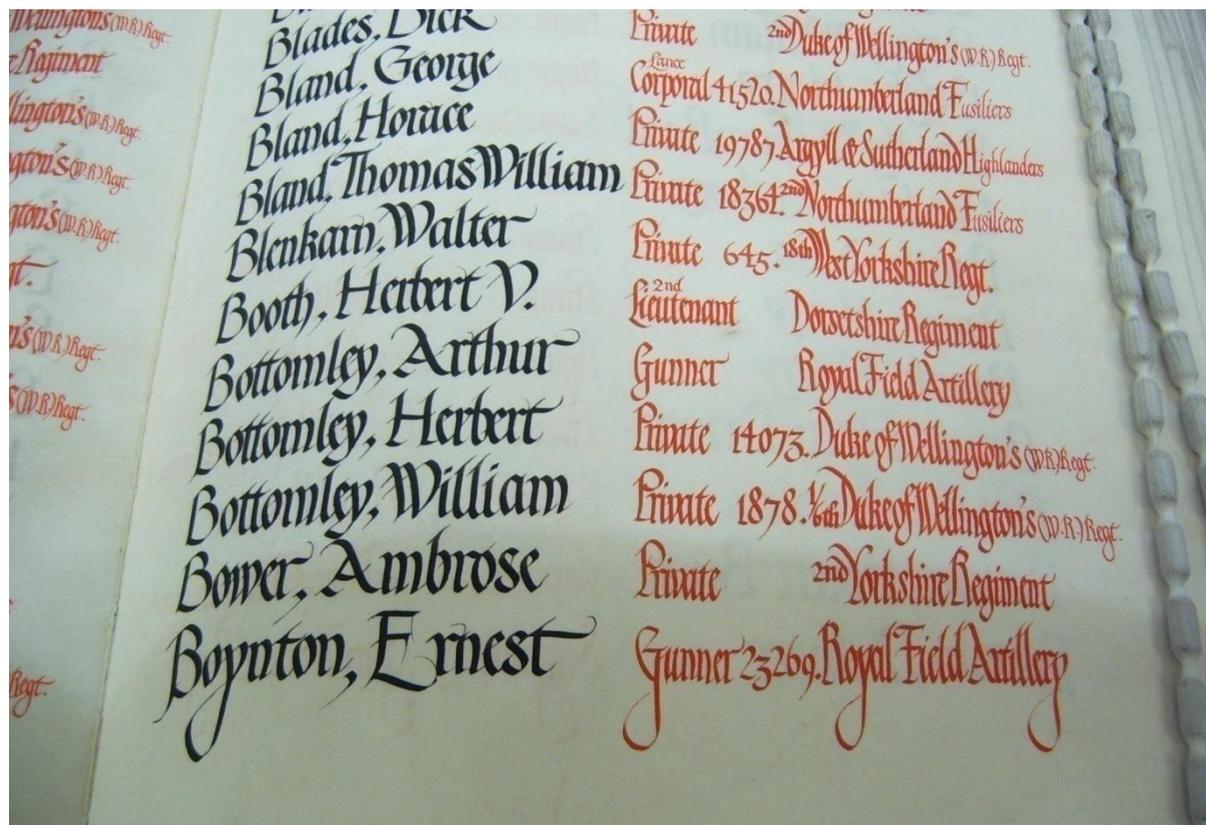
Location: Available to view online at <http://www.cpgw.org.uk/>



This Roll lists, on 39 pages, men associated with Skipton Liberal and Conservative Associations who had served or were serving in the forces in the first two years of WW1.

Keighley Roll of Honour

Location: On display in the Local Studies section of Keighley Library



A book listing the men of Keighley who died in WW1.

The picture shows the book opened at the page that commemorates the Farnhill WW1 Volunteer Private Ambrose Bower MM, who was killed in action on 26th October 1917, the first day of the second Battle of Passchendaele.

Woodrow's Mill Roll of Honour

Location: Burberry PLC, Junction, Cross Hills.

This Roll of Honour lists the men who worked at the mill who died in the war and those who fought and returned from the war.

It includes the names of many of the Farnhill WW1 Volunteers.



The Roll of Honour

EMPLOYEES OF
JOHN WOODROW & SON.
 JUNCTION MILLS, CROSSHILLS.

KILLED

Fred Simpson	Walter Dawson
Tom Allsopp	Harry Walmsley
Harold Wilson	Seth Laycock
William B. Naylor	John W. Wellock

Harry Holmes	Arthur Greenwood	James Pelly
Birch Holmes	Robert Brown	John C. Jackson
Cecil Tindall	Albert Kilson	David Tillotson
Miles Fearnley	Walter Smith	John Tillotson
Richard Dickenson	Alec Hargreaves	Tom Tillotson
John Whitlam	Anthony Hargreaves	Joseph Smith
Tom Hargreaves	Harry Kilson	John W. Barrett
Joshua Riddiough	Ernest Armistead	Walter Wilson
George Walmsley	John Skiff	Charles Forl
Richard Manskip	Thomas Clarkson	Robert Thompson
Edward Parkinson	Harry Mallinson	Walter Smith
George B. Smith	Sydney S. Smith	Harry Foster
Frank Pollard	Frank Mosley	Fred Brown
John Helliwell	Charles Wilkins	Thomas Spencer
Walter Hargreaves	Alfred Daw	Arthur Wilcock
James Bottomley	Harry Thompson	Harold Greenwood
Walter Shuttleworth	Rhodes R. Crossley	David Coleman
John Spencer	Sam Holmes	William Hey
Harry Riddiough	Perry Kilson	Edward Walworth
John Hargreaves	John W. Preston	John Stephens
James Pollard	Charles Hargreaves	Charles Green
	John W. Holgate	

1914 — 1919



Kildwick School Roll

Location: Unknown, believed lost.

The Farnhill WW1 Volunteers Project enlisted the help of the headmaster and staff of Kildwick School to try and find the school's WW1 memorial – but without success. It's the one that got away.

However, in October 2024, while looking through a bundle of material given to the Local History Group to scan for its archive, the following photograph was discovered.



The memorial was unveiled In February 1920, when the following news report appeared in the local press:

A beautiful memorial, provided by former scholars of Kildwick National School to commemorate the sacrifices of old scholars in the great war was unveiled in Kildwick National School on Sunday afternoon. The schoolroom was quite filled with old scholars, relatives and friends, the company including Mr. James Bairstow (Springfield), and Mr. W.A. and Mr. J.J. Brigg (Kildwick Hall). The service was in charge of the vicar of Kildwick (the Rev. C.E.V. Hodge), who said they were met to dedicate the tablet to the memory of the sons of that school who had fallen in the war.

The unveiling ceremony was fittingly performed by Mr. Thomas Appleby, who had been in charge of the National School as headmaster during the school days of most of those who had fallen. ...

The memorial is of carved oak with brass panels on which are engraven the names of the fifteen old scholars who have fallen. The centre picture is of St. George kneeling, and is a replica, in colour, of the glass panel by Mr. G.W.P. Hutchinson, exhibited at the Royal Academy. ...

The names inscribed on the memorial are: Tom Allsopp, Willie Barker, A.L. Backhouse, Fred Carlton, Walter Dawson, Fred Dixon, Joseph Green, William Mosley, Fred Scarfe, Joseph Smith, J. Allan Smith, Archie Sugden, T.H. Stephens, Frank Thompson, and H. Walmsley.

The photograph shows the memorial with 17 names, rather than the 15 listed in the news reports of its unveiling. The right hand plaque must have been remade at a later date to include two further names – James Pollard and Arthur Whitaker.

Note: If you have any information about the current location or eventual fate of this memorial, please email: farnhillww1volunteers@gmail.com

During the project we were pleased to receive a donation towards the restoration of the Farnhill Methodist Roll from Estelle Lancaster, a local poet, who had been searching for a lost memorial commemorating her grandfather for several years.

Estelle has given us permission to reprint her poem “So None Forgets”, written in 2001. It describes the fundamental need of people to memorialise those who served and might stand as a motto for the whole of the Farnhill WW1 Volunteers project.

So None Forgets, by Estelle Lancaster

In towns and quiet villages,
Wherever men had gone,
Old friends and shadowed families
Wanted to pass on
The memory of those they'd lost
To all who walked in freedom, lest
We should forget to count the cost.

Small children gave their tuppences;
Poor people gave their shilling.
For pals, for fathers, husbands, sons,
Communities were willing
To make some sacrifice to give
To those who had supremely given
Memorials so their names might live.

They raised fine crosses, obelisks
And rolls. In schools and halls,
In stations and in offices —
Wherever there were walls —
They carved the ordered lines of dead
So all of us could one day read
How great the loss, how marked the deed.

Now we must hold in trust these plaques,
These paintings and park gates,
These stones and stained glass windows,
All that commemorates
A time apart, a world afraid,
Good lives undone, young widows made,
So none forgets what price was paid.

Estelle Lancaster (2001)

