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TO: Taradale Town Board.
ADDRESS: TARADALE.

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SUBJECT: WAR MEMORIAL - Permission to erect & Maintain - Taradale
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DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS.



TARADALE and DISTRICT SOLDIERS' MEMORIAL.

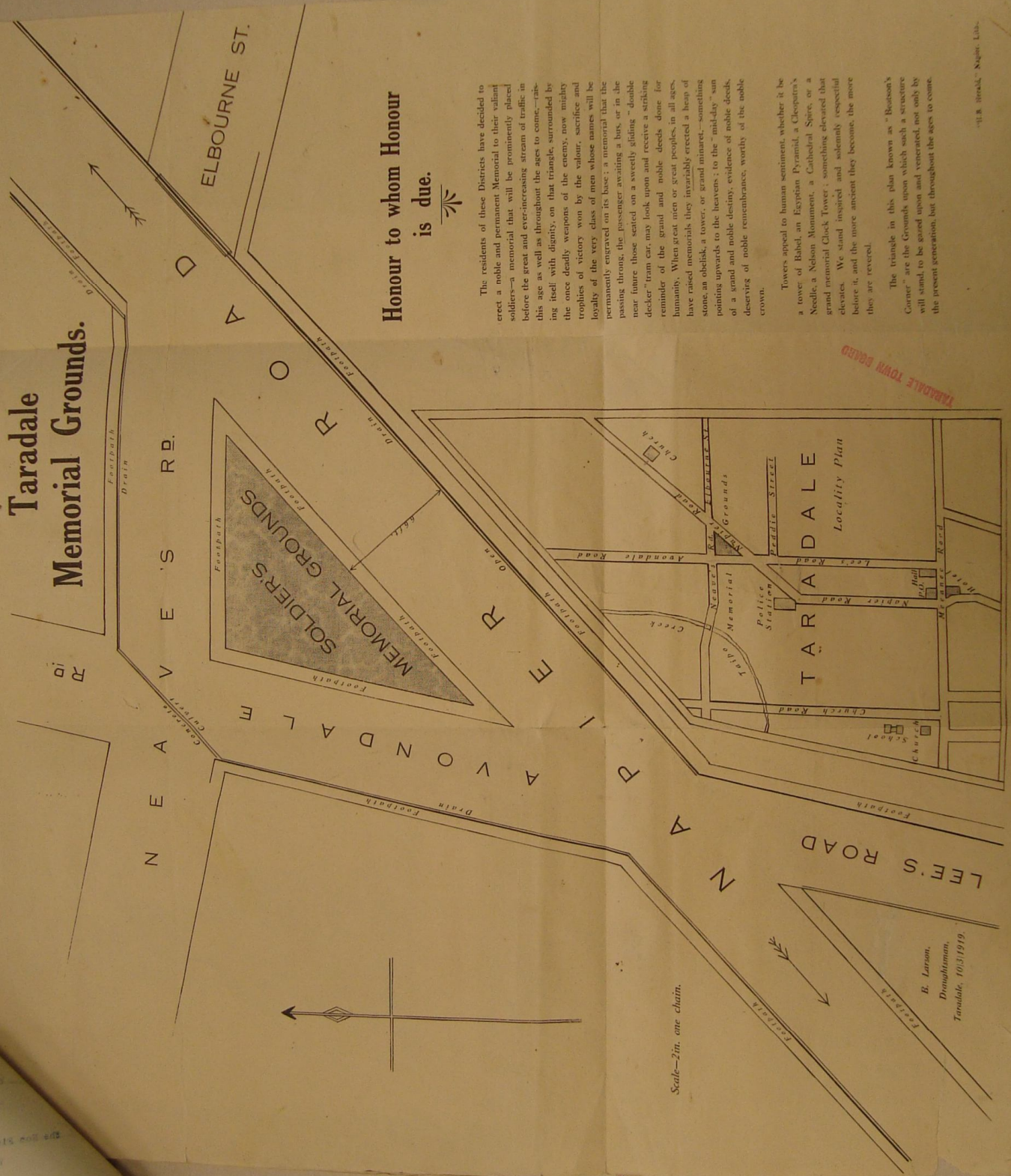
TARADALE TOWN BOARD



TARADALE and DISTRICT SOLDIERS' MEMORIAL.

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Taradale Memorial Grounds.




Honour to whom Honour is due.

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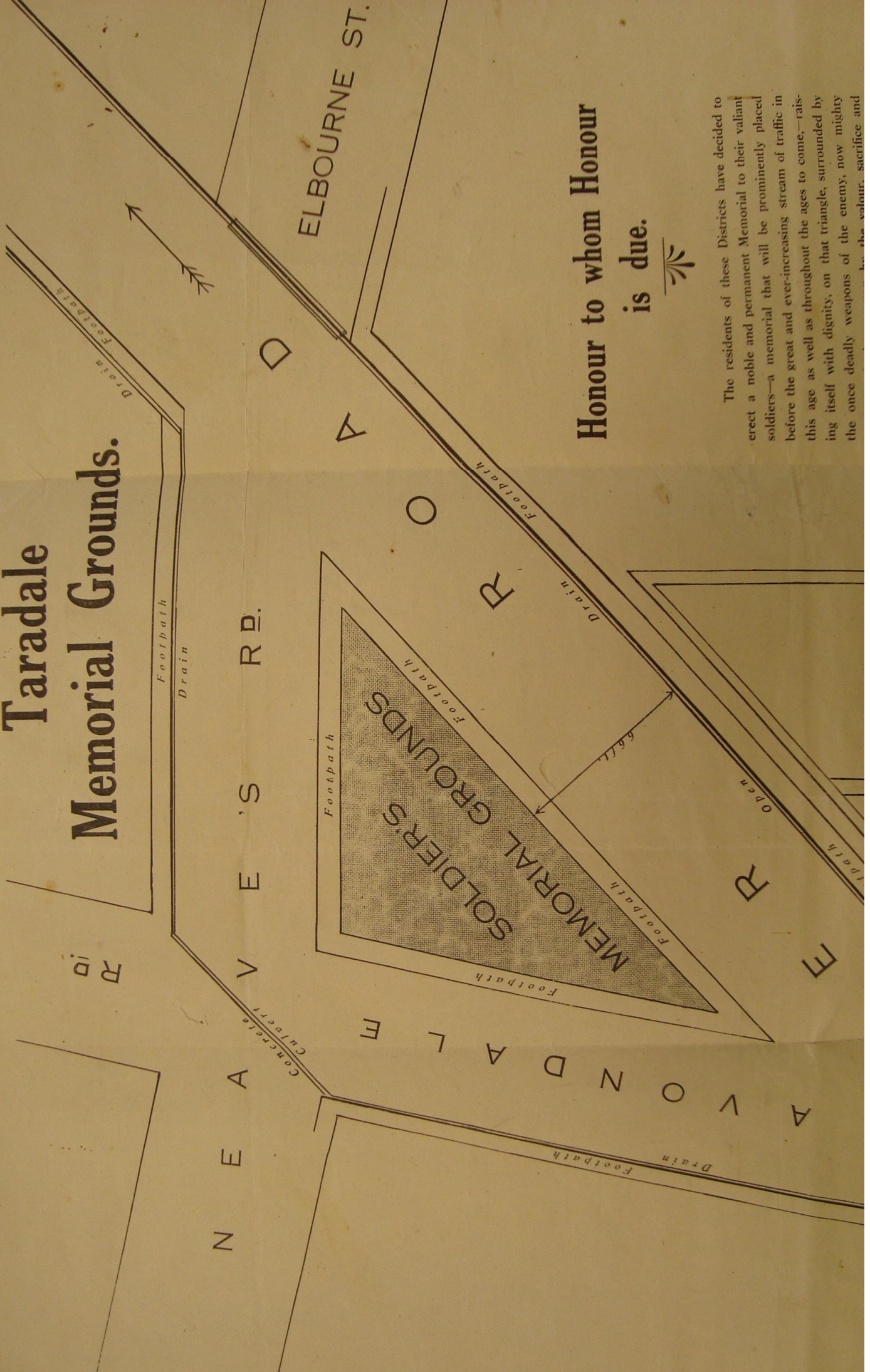


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"H.B. H.



TARADALE TOWN BOARD

TARADALE
Locality Plan

Scale—2in. one chain.

B. Larson,
Draughtsman,
Taradale, 10/3/1919.

Town Clerk,
Taradale.

Town Hall Buildings,
Taradale.

To The Hon Finance Minister
Wellington.

22nd January, 4 1921

Re War Memorial

SIR,

I am directed by the Taradale Town Board to ask for your approval of a proposal to erect a memorial in remembrance of soldiers from this district who gave their lives in the great war.

The memorial to be erected is estimated to cost between £1500, and £1600- of which amount £700 has been raised by voluntary subscription.

The Board proposes to contribute £500 towards the memorial, and is taking a poll of ratepayers on the question of borrowing that amount, on 26th of January inst. under sec 15 of The Finance Act, 1919-

The fact that it is necessary to obtain approval of the proposal was inadvertently overlooked.

In view of the poll being taken on the 26th inst the Board will be grateful if you will notify your approval by wire not later than 25th inst.

The memorial is to be erected on the site shown on plan herewith, which has been purchased by the board for the purpose.

The plan and litho of proposed memorial are forwarded under separate cover by this days mail.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours respectfully

Go. Dawson
Town Clerk.

The Secretary to
the Treasury,
Will you please
submit draft reply
for the Prime Minister's
signature?

W. S.
25th
Jan.,
1921.

*W. S. Dept. I. a
Will you please deal
with this - J. G. Dawson
In Secretary to Treasury.
25. 1. 21.*

25/1/21.

URGENTE

Town Clerk
TARADALE.

Your letter twenty second instant am having inquiries made in regard to memorial and will advise decision at later date. Regret it is not possible to notify approval by today but suggest you proceed with poll tomorrow pending decision as to whether memorial is approved.

W.F. Massey.
Minister of Finance.

*Received for
P.M.'s office.*



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DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS

WELLINGTON.

I.A.

2th January, 1921.

BA,

MEMORANDUM for:
The Right Honourable
The Prime Minister.

The attached request of the Taradale Town Board is for the approval of the Governor-General to the erection of a War Memorial under the provisions of section 15 of the Finance Act, 1919. It is customary, before granting such approval, to make inquiries as to the suitability of the memorial itself and of the site on which it is being erected, and I will arrange for these inquiries to be made at an early date.

Meanwhile, I do not think it is desirable to telegraph approval to the Town Board, but suggest a telegram be sent stating that the matter is receiving consideration, and advising the Board to proceed with the poll meanwhile.

Suggested telegram herewith for your approval.

ENCLOSURE

Telegram despatched from
Prime Minister's office.
J.S.
25.1.21

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(Extract from P.W. 32/1335/1)

Department of Internal Affairs,
WELLINGTON. 10th February, 1921.

MEMORANDUM for
The Under-Secretary,
Public Works Department.

I forward herewith this Department's file of papers containing an application by the Taradale Town Board for the approval of the Governor-General to a Memorial proposed to be erected by that Board.

Before this approval is given I shall be glad if you will obtain a report from your District Engineer as to the suitability of the proposed site for this purpose.

MEMO.

8. 3. 21.

The Under-Secretary,

*File returned herewith
omitted from my memo.
7th instant*

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COPY.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

Napier, N.Z.

7th. March, 1921.

Taradale War Memorial.

MEMORANDUM FOR The Under-Secretary,
Public Works Dept.,
WELLINGTON,

Your P. W. 32/1396/1 of the 15th.
ultimo re above to hand. An inspection of the site has
been made and it is considered suitable.

The proposed memorial is to take
the form of a concrete and brick clock tower with a shelter
shed in basement.

Funds are being raised voluntarily
locally and when all contributions are in it is estimated
there will be from £950 to £1000 in hand which with the
proposed loan of £500 will give a total of approximately
£1,500.

F. W. THOMPSON.
Resident Engineer.

I.A. ²⁹
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(Sgd.) G. P. NEWTON

Assistant Under Secretary.

ask for reply.

DESPATCHED
12 FEB 1921

M. Under Sec. P.W.D.

*Dictated by Mr Harper
12/3/21*

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B.W.
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BA.

12th March, 1921.

MEMORANDUM for:

The Under Secretary,
Public Works Department.

Proposed War Memorial - Taradale Town
Board.

With reference to my memorandum of the 10th
ultimo in connection with the above matter, I shall be
glad to know whether you have yet been able to obtain
a report from your District Engineer.

(Sgd.) G. P. NEWTON.

Assistant Under Secretary.



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[Extract from *N.Z. Gazette* No. 35, 14th April, 1921.]

*Authorizing the Taradale Town Board to erect a Monument in
Town District of Taradale as a Permanent War Memorial.*

JELLICOE, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 12th day of
April, 1921.

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon him by section fifteen of the Finance Act, 1919 (hereinafter referred to as "the said section"), His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby approve the provision by the Taradale Town Board of a monument as a permanent war memorial, as provided by the said section; and, with the like advice and consent, doth hereby approve of the erection of such monument in that portion of the Town District of Taradale described in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Hawke's Bay Land District, in the Town District of Taradale, bounded on the north by Neaves Road, on the south-east by the Napier-Taradale main road, and on the west by the Avondale Road.

F. D. THOMSON,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

PATRON:
HIS MAJESTY THE KING

TELEPHONE
41-690

HEADQUARTERS



(INC.)

23rd July, 1942.

CORRESPONDENCE TO
GENERAL SECRETARY
P.O. Box 1010
WELLINGTON, C.I.

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A.P.A. BUILDING,
17 GREY STREET,
WELLINGTON, C.I., N.Z.

The Officer-in-Charge,
War Graves Division,
Department of Internal Affairs,
Private Bag,
Government Buildings,
WELLINGTON, C.I.

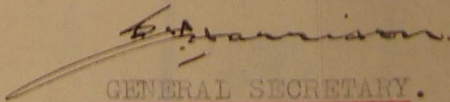
Dear Sir,

Herewith we send copy of an extract from a letter from the Taradale and District Returned Services' Association, upon which this Association would greatly appreciate your comment:

"The Taradale and District War Memorial is in the form of a Clock Tower around the base of which, in suitable panels, are the names of the men who left this District. There are also three small alcoves, with seating accommodation. In one of these is a Tablet stating the name of the Memorial, erected by the residents of the district, name of person unveiling and the names of the Chairman of the Town Board and Chairman and Secretary of the Committee responsible for collecting funds and erecting Memorial. The question raised is whether it is proper and the customary practice to have names on the Memorial other than those of men who went on service. Opinion is divided on the subject. Some members think the Tablet should be removed, but as it is rather a delicate matter decision was held over until we could find out if it is usual for tablets of that nature to be placed in a Memorial."

Thanking you sincerely,

Yours faithfully,


GENERAL SECRETARY.



D/11.

29/150/17.

28th July, 1942.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge your letter of the 23rd instant quoting an extract from a communication you have received from the Taradale and District Returned Services' Association in regard to the Taradale and District War Memorial.

I might say that under section 15 of the Finance Act, 1919, the Governor-General in Council was authorised to approve of local bodies erecting and maintaining permanent memorials of the war with Germany and to raise money by way of loan for that purpose.

The Taradale Memorial was approved by Order-in-Council on the 12th April, 1921.

Of the total cost of £1500, £500 was raised by the Taradale Town Board by way of loan approved by the rate-payers and the balance obtained by public subscriptions.

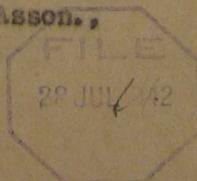
When applications were received from local bodies it was the practice to obtain a report from the Public Works Department as to the suitability of the site before submitting the request for approval, but the question of the exact form of the memorial was a matter which had of necessity to be left to the local bodies themselves as the money was being found locally. The inscriptions to be placed on the memorials were thus not submitted to the Department.

In reply to the question as to whether it is proper and the customary practice to have the names on the memorials other than of those who served, I should say it was not generally the case and as to whether it is proper or not this appears to be a question to be approached from the point of view of good taste.

Yours faithfully,

The General Secretary,
N.Z. Returned Services Assn.,
P.O. Box, 1010,
WELLINGTON.

(Sgd.) I. W. HEENAN,
Under Secretary.



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TELEGRAMS:
"RETSOLA"

PATRON:
HIS MAJESTY THE KING

TELEPHONE
41-690

HEADQUARTERS



A.P.A. BUILDING,
17 GREY STREET,
WELLINGTON, C.1., N.Z.

ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO
GENERAL SECRETARY
P.O. Box 1010
WELLINGTON, C.1.

(INC.) 5th August, 1942.

The Under-Secretary,
Department of Internal Affairs,
P.O.Box 7, Government Buildings,
WELLINGTON, C.1

Tandall War Memorial

Dear Sir,

We have to acknowledge receipt of and thank you sincerely for your letter (I.A.29/150/17) of 28th July, 1942.

Yours faithfully,

B. Harrison
GENERAL SECRETARY.

