OSGOODBY MEMORIAL GARDEN

THE PROJECT

• In December 2008 two triangular areas of land left over from the construction of the A165 Scarborough to Lebberston Diversion were handed to the village for development

• Grassed triangles with borders planted with shrubs were created to a design by Sheila Johnson of Scarborough Borough Council’s Parks and Countryside Department, on behalf of Osgodby In Bloom

• The triangle west of the Diversion was developed and is maintained by Osgodby In Bloom

• The creation of the Memorial Garden on the triangle east of the road was a partnership venture between Osgodby Village Council, Osgodby Community Association and Osgodby In Bloom, with input by residents

• A small committee of representatives from each organisation sourced funding to commence construction of the garden

• Plaxtons Charitable Trust gave a large donation which launched the project, with donations following from McCains, Proudfoots and Boyes

• These were followed by donations from community groups – Osgodby Village Council, Osgodby Community Association, Osgodby In Bloom and Osgodby Carnival Committee, together with individual donations from residents

• Further funding obtained from Southern Area Committee, The Mayoress’s’ Community Fund and Voice for Choice enabled the project to progress
• Construction commenced on 14 June 2010, with the then Mayor of the Borough of Scarborough, Cllr Hazel Lynskey climbing into a digger, watched by Committee members, sponsors and Village Councillors

• Garden formally open on 13 July 2011 by the then Mayor and Mayoress of the Borough of Scarborough, Cllr and Mrs John Blackburn.

• Dedication and blessing by Reverend Allan Campbell-Wilson, Vicar of Cayton-with-Eastfield, and the Mayor’s Chaplain 2011-2012.

SPONSORS AND SUPPORTERS

- Groundworks by JTW Contracts
- Hard landscaping by M B Kennedy
- Archway built and erected by Basics Plus
- Benches supplied by Coopers
- Granite memorial stone kindly donated by Richard Tankard
- Rockery stone kindly donated by Borough Cllr Simon Green of Cayton
- Memorial plaques supplied by Trophy Traders
- Support and assistance received from Scarborough Borough Council’s Parks and Countryside Department

Please come and enjoy the garden

It was created to pay respects to those who are no longer with us, with the support of the residents of today
OSGODBY MEMORIAL GARDEN IN THE PRESENT DAY

- The small number of volunteers was inadequate to maintain the high standard this high profile project requires.

- In the autumn of 2014 a gardener was therefore engaged to take on the maintenance on a regular basis. At time of writing this is already showing great benefit, and the garden is well prepared for spring.

- This appointment needs additional funding, and bench sponsors have been asked to make a token annual maintenance charge.

- In addition, donations from residents for the ongoing upkeep of the garden would be much appreciated.

- Funding is also being sought from other sources in an effort to continue administering the Memorial Garden within the village.

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