

# SOUTH WINGFIELD LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

## Question : What is the point of a new Roll of Honour?

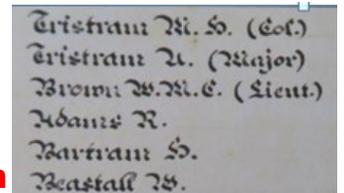


The present Roll of Honour (see left) is to be found at the altar end of the right hand aisle in All Saints Church. We do not know who created it or when, although one of our members found a reference to it in a document dating from 1932. It contains 137 names of men who served in WW1 and 16 names of those who died. Not all the Fallen were killed in battle but some died of disease.



## Answer : There are several reasons for instance :

- The list is incomplete. We now believe about 190 names should be included
- There are spelling errors : for example, 'Olliphant' instead of 'Ollivant'
- The calligraphy is "unusual" and often difficult to decipher
- The lack of forenames often makes identification uncertain
- There are no indications of which service, rank or regiment
- The present Roll of Honour is showing signs of deterioration and The Glebe in Crich have shown that it is possible to create a modern looking comprehensive document using the latest graphic techniques



## Question : Why are you also investigating Wessington?



Until it was demolished some decades ago, Amber Row was a much larger development —see photo left - than the small terrace existing today. During WW1 it was almost exclusively the home of men working in the local mines. As many as 20 men from Amber Row went into the armed services, and four were killed. Although it feels like an extension of South Wingfield it is part of the Wessington Parish .

Wessington does not have an official Roll of Honour, only a draft - see document on the right - prepared by the vicar the Reverend W.D Pronger.

The South Wingfield Roll of Honour has names which do not seem to belong to either of the villages. To clear up this confusion the SWLHG decided to research both lists.

