

# A True Community Monument

THESE NAMES ARE LAMPS OF SACRIFICE

By July 1920 the Coalville Urban District Council appointed a Coalville War Memorial Committee to oversee the creation of a memorial to commemorate the local servicemen who had died in the First World War.

In March 1923 the Committee met to review possible designs and selected a clock tower design by local architect Henry Collings.

By July 1924 the committee had appointed local builders, Walter Moss & Son. to build the Clock Tower at a cost of £2,007 – equal to about £130,000 today.



The foreman bricklayer at Moss's, Bruce Dennis and his son of the same laid all of the 54,000 bricks in the Clock Tower, with the help of labourers.

In late 1925 the Committee attracted a further £300 to complete the Clock Tower from local companies including Stableford Wagon Works, the South Leicestershire Colliery Company and Clutsom and Kemp Ltd.



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Memorial Square 1926

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Clock Tower Steps

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