CARE OF CHURCHES AND ECCLESIASTICAL JURISDICTION MEASURE 1991

**PETITION IN RESPECT OF A MEMORIAL IN A CHURCHYARD**

**To the Consistory Court of the Diocese of Sheffield**

**Church of**

**In the parish of**

**Petitioners**

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| FULL NAME\* | RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS\* |
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\* Please use capital letters. A telephone number and e-mail address should be provided where possible. If you are petitioning in a church capacity (e.g. as vicar or churchwarden), state the office held after your name. If there is more than one petitioner, it will be assumed that the contact address is that of the first named above.

**We petition the Court for a faculty to authorise the placing in the churchyard of the memorial described in this petition.**

PLEASE ANSWER ALL THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

YOU MAY USE ADDITIONAL PIECES OF PAPER

FOR YOUR ANSWERS AS NECESSARY.

1. Give a full description of the proposed memorial under the following headings. These questions assume that the main feature of the proposed memorial is some form of headstone; if something else (for example, a piece of statuary) is proposed, give as much detail as possible bearing in mind the headings below.

a. Material of which the headstone will be made

b. Colour of the proposed headstone

c. Give the precise dimensions of the proposed headstone and, if it is not a simple rectangle, provide a drawing showing clearly its shape.

d. Give the proposed inscription.

e. Apart from the lettering, is it proposed to have any symbol or design on the headstone? If so, give details and a picture or drawing of what is proposed.

f. Apart from the headstone, is it proposed that any other item(s) (for example, kerbs or flower containers) be placed on the grave?

2. If any aspect of the proposed design has been chosen for some special reason (for example, the nature of the deceased’s occupation), give details.

3. Indicate the proposed location of the memorial, by marking it on a plan of the churchyard and, if possible, supplying a photograph or photographs of the relevant area of the churchyard.

4. Are there in the churchyard, or in the relevant area of the churchyard, memorials very similar to what is now proposed?

5. Give the name and address of the monumental mason or other contractor who would be engaged.

6. Have you, before presenting this petition, sought permission of the vicar or rector of the parish for the proposed memorial? If so, and if permission was refused, state your understanding of the reasons given.

7. Are there any other matters you wish to draw to the Court’s attention as it considers this petition? If so, set them out concisely.

8. The Chancellor may seek information from the officers of the parish and/or advice from the diocesan advisory committee on the care of churches or from other bodies. The Chancellor may ask for further written material or order a hearing in court. You, as petitioner(s), will be liable for any fees and costs these further steps may entail. Please confirm that you understand this possibility.

I/we believe that the facts stated in this petition are true.

Signed: Date: