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Miss S Hopkins,
Chief Executive,
Havant Borough Council,
Public Service Plaza,
Civic Centre Road,
Havant PO9 2AX

Dear Miss Hopkins,

Havant War Memorial Plaques

As chairman of the Havant History Group, I have been asked by the members to register their concern about the font and size of lettering on the new plaques on the War Memorial outside St Faith's Church in West Street, Havant.

History Group members first raised their concerns during the planning stage and it is a fact that the font and size of lettering on the new plaques differ from those installed to commemorate the fallen in earlier conflicts. I understand that the planning committee's decision, supported by Historic England, was that they shall match. The council has therefore failed to abide by its own planning decision.

Other issues include the misspelling of Grahame Cox's name and the misattribution of Trooper Robert Consiglio's proper title.

I know that you have received other representations on these anomalies, but I would be grateful to know if any modifications will be made to the newly unveiled plaques.

The War Memorial is of architectural and historic significance and merits careful consideration of any alterations that affect its design.

Yours sincerely,

Christine Bury,
Chairman, Havant History Group

cc Mrs R McMurray, Planning Service Case Officer; ✓
D Smith, C Evans and T Dawes, Havant Civic Society;
D Guest, St Faith's Ward Councillor.