## FOR BIRCHINGTON WAR MEMORIAL

Thanet advertiser – 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1919

A sum of £3,000 is required to carry out the scheme adopted as a Birchington and Acol war memorial.

Mr F. S. Oldham, of 'North Sea Lodge' [Darwin Rd] Birchington, is the Hon. Sec. of the War Memorial Committee and has issued a circular appeal to residents of the two parishes. The proposal is "to erect in a prominent place in Birchington, a memorial of an imperishable nature to all who have fallen in the greatest of all wars, and also to provide a recreation ground for the pleasure and amusement of both old and young." Lloyds Bank or Mr Oldham will receive donations.

## WAR MEMORIAL

Thanet advertiser 26<sup>TH</sup> July 1919

There has been placed upon exhibition at Birchington Post Office this week a finely-drawn sketch of Birchington's proposed war memorial, a handsome cross of grey granite, to be erected in Birchington Churchyard, facing the Square. The sketch has been prepared by Messrs. Fenning and Company of Hammersmith, and it shows effectively the beautiful character of the intended memorial, with the old church in the background.

The plinth will bear the inscription "To the Immortal Memory of the men of Birchington and Acol who fell in the Great War", and the names of the sailors and soldiers who made the great sacrifice will be engraved on the panels.

## BIRCHINGTON WAR MEMORIAL

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The work of erecting the parish war memorial cross at Birchington is "postponed" in consequence of the delay in obtaining from the Record Offices the required data as to the sixty-six men who made the supreme sacrifice, and whose names will be inscribed on the cross. [There were eventually 69 names.]

## **ARRIVES AT BIRCHINGTON**

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Birchington's War Memorial cross arrived this week.

For some time past, the stone base, at the corner of the churchyard abutting on the Square, has been ready to receive the monument to the men of Birchington and Acol who fell in the war.

It is a memorial of simplicity and beauty of design, and upon it will be recorded the names of the local sailors and soldiers who made the supreme sacrifice.