

## +++ Remembrance in West Moors +++



In early August 1914 the continent of Europe stumbled into war - a conflict that was confidently expected to be "... over by Christmas". Over four years later, with around 40 million casualties (dead and injured, military and civilian), the 'Great War' was finally brought to a halt on November 11th, 1918 at 11 am Paris time.

In 2018, Armistice Day fell exactly 100 years since that event. Few communities escaped the consequences of this war - and West Moors, though a fairly small village at this time, shared in the grief of that conflict.



The village War Memorial was initially erected (in 1920) on the corner of Pinehurst Road and Station Road (top image). In 1971, the Memorial was re-located (due to traffic problems) to the current position at the end of The Petwyn (bottom image). It is here that the annual Service of Remembrance took place on Sunday 11th November 2018, attended by nearly a thousand people.

Pete Holden has published a detailed analysis of West Moors residents during the period of the Great War & those that served in the forces in that conflict - with a listing of the named people on the village War Memorial: see the appropriate link on this web site to find that data.

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