

Lincoln Tank Memorial Group



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Press Release

Contractors donation announced for Lincoln Tank Memorial

Local contractors Willmott Dixon have been appointed to undertake the groundworks and installation of the Lincoln Tank Memorial on Tritton Road roundabout near the University. They are generously donating manpower to the project which is aimed at celebrating Lincoln's vast engineering heritage. The Memorial will be in the form of a partly constructed Mark I tank which was built close to the roundabout by William Foster & Co Ltd at their Wellington Factory. Historians have recently uncovered photographs of the tanks loaded on to trains waiting to leave Lincoln, sited exactly where the roundabout is today.

Joe Cooke MBE Chairman of the Memorial Group said "we are delighted to be working with Willmott Dixon; the cost of the groundworks has proved to be much more expensive than originally anticipated and without the support of Willmott Dixon the project might well have been delayed."

Nick Heath, operations director for the East Midlands at Willmott Dixon, said: "This is a significant installation for Lincoln and it's important we acknowledge the city's tank building heritage. As a firm, Willmott Dixon is donating £15,000 worth of labour for the groundworks and installation of the tank memorial. We decided to support this fantastic community led project to ensure the tank memorial leaves a legacy for everyone to enjoy for years to come."

"We are proud to be a part of this project and I look forward to the unveiling of the tank."

Local company Venture Signs of North Hykeham have been appointed to supply the signage for the Memorial.

The Lincoln Tank Memorial will be unveiled on Sunday 10th May 2015 at 1100hrs.

Further information can be obtained from Julie Cooke, Lincoln Tank Memorial Secretary on 01522 722308.

