

The War Memorial Park.

You might know the memorial park as a venue for a number of annual events including the Godiva Festival, Donkey Derby and even more. But the key feature is it was a tribute to the 2,587 Coventrians who died between 1914 and 1918 fighting in the First World War.

The park was opened in July 1921 Coventry Council purchase the land from the Lords of Styvechale Manor by the money the public has donated. Former named as Styvechale common. Then the north of the park, the landscaped gardens and sports areas were originally created in the late-1920s and 1930s,

Also during the Second World War, barrage balloons and anti-aircraft guns were cited in the park, and the large concrete blocks where they were positioned still exist at the Coat of Arms bridge area of the park.

At around 90 feet high, the war memorial monument was designed by architect T. F. Tickner and £5,000 was raised from a public appeal to start building in 1924. It was built in 1927 and dedicated by Field Marshal Douglas Haig. It is made of Portland stone, and was built by John Grey. Inside the Memorial is a room called the Chamber of Silence which contains the "Roll of the Fallen", a list of all Coventry men killed in the two World Wars and the Gulf War, and is open to the public every year on Remembrance Sunday.

Furthermore In 2013, the park was listed at grade II on the statutory Register of Historic Parks and Gardens of special historic interest in England. The memorial itself is a grade II* listed building in its own right.

