

National Lottery awards £10,000 to Normanby Local History Group to mark First World War Centenary

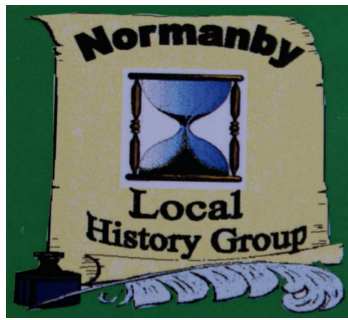


Normanby Local History Group members commence National Lottery project

Paul Boden, Sylvia Fairbrass, Harry Greenmon (Treasurer), Sheila Nicholson, John Richardson (Chair), William Short

Normanby Local History Group has received £10,000 from the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) for a project entitled "Gallantry in the face of the enemy, William Henry Short VC."

Made possible by National Lottery players through HLF's *First World War: then and now* programme, the project will focus on the life of local man William Henry Short who received the Victoria Cross for his actions on the 6th August 1916 in France.



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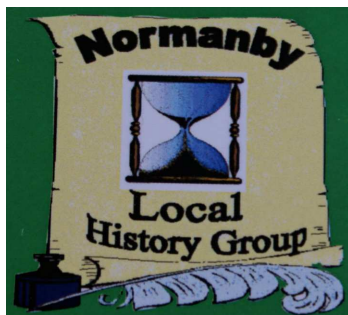
John Richardson, Chair, speaking on behalf of the group says: "We are delighted to have received the support of the National Lottery and are looking forward to carrying out further research using documents, photographs and interviews to expand local knowledge on both William and the area of Normanby, Eston, Grangetown and South Bank before and during the First World War."



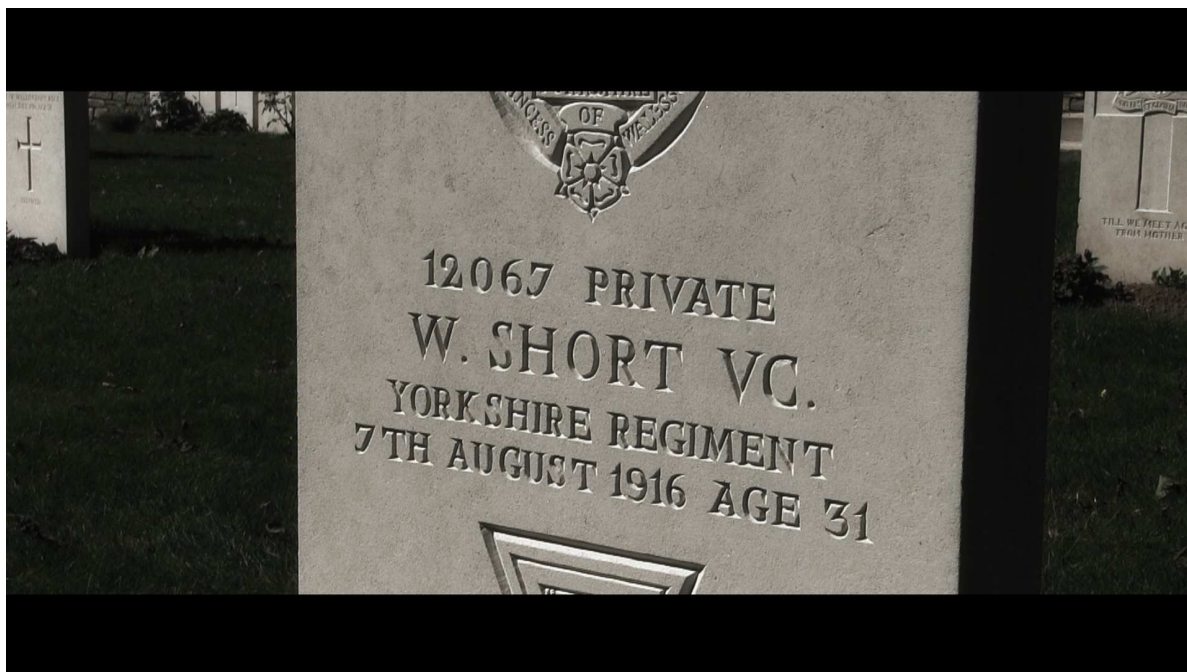
Lonely Tower Film & Media, a production company based in the north east of England will be assisting the group to produce a film about their local hero.

The film will be shown locally and also made available to both libraries and schools for use as a resource.

Once completed the archive of information will also be shared with the local community through a series of talks and exhibitions.



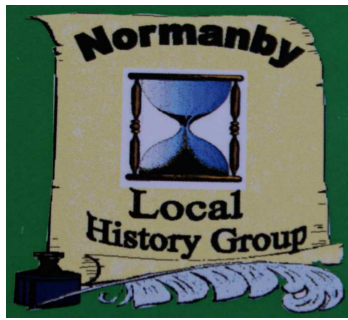
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Through its First World War: then and now programme, HLF is providing grants between £3,000 and £10,000 enabling communities and groups right across the UK to explore, conserve and share their First World War heritage and deepen their understanding of the impact of the conflict. To find out how to apply for funding visit www.hlf.org.uk/thenandnow

Normanby Local History Group holds monthly meetings on the 4th Wednesday of each month (except December) between 1.30 p.m. and 3 p.m. Meetings are held in Normanby Methodist Church, Cleveland Street, Normanby. It aims to keep the rich history of the area alive for future generations to enjoy. New members are always welcome to join.

Please visit our website <http://normanbyhistorygroup.co.uk/> to find out more about the group and its work



Further information about the project

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