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An inspection of sandstone for the Cressy war memorial

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A Triassic sandstone quarry, from which it is proposed to use 'freestone' for the Cressy war memorial, was inspected on 22 August. The sandstone was found to be a most attractive building stone, although a little soft.

As the sandstone from this quarry has been used to provide a decorative facing for the portal of the tunnel to the Poatina power station, this portal was also examined. Here no excessive fretting or flaking appears to be occurring to the sandstone in more severe climatic conditions than likely to be encountered at Cressy.

The sandstone is thought to be suitable for the Cressy war memorial as blocks rather than a veneer of sandstone 'flags' as originally proposed.

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