

MEMORIAL PLAYING FIELD, MENTMORE ROAD, LINSLADE – TITLE

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DATE	EVENT	PEOPLE/BODIES INVOLVED	TITLE OF LAND
1937	Sale of land OS Ref.182/183 in Mentmore Road Linslade - Linslade UDC minutes.	Dormers Hospital Charity (Labrum) to Linslade UDC	Land un-named. Physical Training & Recreation Act 1937 mentioned in Conveyance. Intended for "Playing Fields".
1943	Sale of land OS Ref 181 in Mentmore Road Linslade – Linslade UDC minutes.	Wilkes Charity to W G Alder.	Land un-named. Described as "pasture land" in Conveyance.
1946	Linslade UDC meeting minutes.	Linslade UDC and grant application to Ministry of Education.	"Playing fields – Mentmore Road".
1946	Linslade UDC long and detailed meeting minute. Records public demand for a Playing Fields memorial to all the Linslade men and women who served in both World Wars, not just those who died.	Linslade UDC and many Linslade residents.	Detailed plan formed to develop the "Playing Fields" involving grant applications to Government, First phase to be move of War Memorial from Old Road/Wing Road to a new Garden of Remembrance in Mentmore Road Linslade with allotment holders having to vacate.
1949	Planned purchase of land	Linslade UDC and National Playing Fields Association	Land in Mentmore Road, Linslade, for playing fields.
1950	Linslade UDC meeting minutes – Linslade Memorial Playing Fields Committee formed.	Linslade UDC	"Playing Fields, Mentmore Road".
4/7/1950	Newspaper report	Leighton Buzzard Observer	"Linslade's war memorial, comprising Playing Fields and Garden of Remembrance".
1950	Record of public meeting in Linslade to progress the Linslade UDC plan for the Garden of Remembrance in Mentmore Road. LMFPC formed "to complete the War Memorial and Playing Fields scheme".	Linslade Memorial Playing Fields Committee ("LMPFC") and Linslade UDC,	"Playing Fields, Mentmore Road".
1952	Sale of land OS Ref 181 in Mentmore Road Linslade	Alder family to Linslade UDC.	Land un-named. Described as "pasture land" in conveyance. Intended for "Playing Fields".
1952-1965	Linslade UDC meeting minutes.	Linslade UDC	"Playing Fields – Mentmore Road". Title used for a period of fourteen years.

1952	Linslade UDC document.	Linslade UDC	"Linslade Memorial Playing Field". First appearance of the word "Memorial".
1953	Meeting minutes	Linslade Memorial Playing Fields Committee.	Records of two public appeals for funds to assist in the development of the Memorial Playing Fields, as part of a National Playing Fields initiative with the Duke of Edinburgh as President. Plan to invite the Duke to open the Memorial Playing Fields when ready.
1955	Linslade UDC meetings 7.1.1955 + 16.2.1955 records. To discuss future joint development and management of the playing fields.	Linslade UDC and Linslade Memorial Playing Fields Committee.	"Playing Field – Mentmore Road".
6/12/1955	Playing Fields Management Committee formed. Constitution terms it "Linslade Memorial Playing Field Sports Association".	Linslade UDC and Linslade Memorial Playing Fields Committee, forming a new management committee with a constitution.	PFMS Constitution states "sports ... played on the field known as the Linslade Memorial Playing Field".
1965 to 1974	All meeting minutes.	Leighton-Linslade UDC from inception to replacement.	"Memorial Playing Field, Mentmore Road".
1969	Linslade Bowls Club lease.	Leighton-Linslade UDC and Linslade Bowls Club.	"Memorial Playing Field in Mentmore Road, Linslade".
1974	DOE document (transfer of land/property to new Local Government authorities)	DOE to Leighton-Linslade UDC	"Linslade Memorial Playing Field".
1978	Linslade Bowls Club lease.	Leighton-Linslade Town Council ("LLTC") and Linslade Bowls Club.	"Memorial Playing Field in Mentmore Road, Linslade".
1991	Meeting minutes.	Leighton-Linslade Town Council	"Mentmore Road Playing Fields".
1996	Bowls Club Document	LLTC	"Mentmore Memorial Playing Field" and "Memorial Playing Field in Mentmore Road".
1997	Linslade Tennis Club lease.	LLTC and Linslade Tennis Club	"Mentmore Memorial Playing Field" and "Mentmore Road Playing Fields".
1998	Linslade Bowls Club lease.	LLTC and Linslade Bowls Club.	"Memorial Playing Field in Mentmore Road, Linslade".
1998	Town Council Bye-Laws (still current)	LLTC	"Linslade Memorial Playing Fields and Gardens, Linslade".
2001	Tennis Club lease application	LLTC and Linslade Tennis Club	"Memorial Playing Fields, Mentmore Road, Linslade".
2003	Bowls Club lease/Bowls Club letterhead	Linslade Bowls Club	"Memorial Playing Field, Mentmore Road, Linslade"
5/9/2011	LLTC Minute 59/LC	LLTC Minutes	"Mentmore Road Park". (used for the first time)

2/4/2012	LLTC Minute 150/LC	Ditto	Ditto
2013	Pavilion condition report	LLTC and contractor	"Mentmore Road Pavilion, Mentmore Road".
3/6/2013	LLTC Minute 338/LC	LLTC Minutes	" Mentmore Park ". (used for the first time)
4/11/2013	LLTC Minute 396/LC	Ditto	"Mentmore Road". (used for the first time)
2/6/2014	LLTC Minute 471/LC	Ditto	"Mentmore Pavilion". (used for the first time)
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2014	Pavilion contract	LLTC and contractor	"The Pavilion, Memorial Playing Fields, Mentmore Road".
1952-2014	Newspaper articles over a period of 62 years.	Leighton Buzzard Observer	"Memorial Playing Fields, Mentmore Road" and "Garden of Remembrance"
2014	Centenary Field designation.	Leighton-Linslade Town Council and Centenary Field body	" Mentmore Park and Memorial Garden".
2017	Linslade Tennis Club Lease	LLTC and Linslade Tennis Club	" Mentmore Park and Memorial Gardens, hereinafter called Mentmore Park ".
2017/8/9	Many documents	LLTC	" Mentmore Park " routinely used.
12/6/2019	Traffic Reg Order	LLTC Planning & Transport Cttee 12/6/2019 - minute 15/P	"Mentmore Road Park and Memorial Gardens" and "Mentmore Road Park" in same document!
14/10/19	LLTC Personnel committee paper	LLTC	" Mentmore Pavilion ", " Mentmore Park " and " Mentmore " (used for the first time)

HISTORY OF THE "GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE"

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18.10.1946	Minute recording plan to develop the "Playing Fields" with grant aid and public donations. Phase 1 to move War Memorial from Old Road/Wing Road to Mentmore Road. Linslade.	Linslade UDC	New location titled "Garden of Remembrance".
5.1948	Minute recording the re-erection of the War Memorial in the Mentmore Road Garden of Remembrance.	Linslade UDC	"Garden of Remembrance".
10.1949	Minute recording Garden of Remembrance discussion.	Linslade UDC	"Garden of Remembrance".
4.4.1950	Report of Linslade UDC meeting	Leighton Buzzard Observer	"Garden of Remembrance"

6.1950	Record of a public meeting in Linslade to progress the Linslade UDC plan for a Garden of Remembrance in Mentmore Road "to be connected with the Memorial Playing Field".	Linslade Memorial Playing Fields Committee and Linslade UDC	"Garden of Remembrance".
4.7.1950	Report of Public meeting.	Leighton Buzzard Observer	"Garden of Remembrance". Linslade UDC Chairman said "I think that we, the survivors of wars, should feel that to enshrine a memorial in a garden is something we can do to repay a debt to those who had so short a time to enjoy the peace of gardens and the perfume of flowers."
1955 – 1997 (42 years)	Minutes, usually about grass-cutting or other maintenance	Linslade UDC, LLUDC, LLTC	"Garden of Remembrance"
1998	Town Council Bye-Laws	LLTC	"Linslade Memorial Playing Fields and Gardens".
2014	Centenary Field designation.	Leighton-Linslade Town Council and Centenary Field body	"Mentmore Park and Memorial Garden".
2019	Roll of Honour	Royal British Legion	"Garden of Remembrance"