

Marching Forward

By The Cottingley Crew Leeds



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Unfurled Leeds

Meaning

Marching together forward against dementia, all society should be united its understanding & support for those living with dementia.

Symbolism

Many of the Cottingley crew worked in industry; the centrepiece the wheel represents this. In its spokes are some of Leeds iconic buildings & industries starting bottom left, Leeds town hall, Tetley's brewery, the Kirkstall forge and Hunslet engines.

Engraved in the rim of the wheel is "Marching together forward against dementia we are united, we are here, we still have heart, we are still ourselves."

To the left and right are two iconic Yorkshire sportsmen, Billy Bremner, footballer Leeds United & Scotland and Freddie Trueman cricketer, Yorkshire & England.

The group at the bottom of the banner is based on members of the Cottingley crew. The embellishments in the corners are stylised acanthus leaves which represent art and an enduring life.

The colours yellow and blue are the colours of Leeds United football club, but blue also represents loyalty and yellow hope.

