WARKWORTH'S WELCOME TO THE WOUNDED. AUGUST 26th 1915.

On 26th August 1915 Warkworth people gave the arrival of their wounded soldiers a huge welcome in the main street. A large white linen welcome banner was tied across the square as seen in the above photograph.

Fast forward a 100 years and the Banner has been discovered the same week as the Centenary of WW1. British Legion member John Young, of N & F Young Ltd, of Amble, was asked by postcard dealer John Hutchinson to enlarge the above photo for the Warkworth Centenary Exhibition to display. Mr Young asked for a magnifying glass and thought he recognised the banner. He remembered something similar in his loft and it turned out to be the missing banner with the words

**WHO STANDS IF FREEDOM FAILS
WHO DIES IF ENGLAND LIVES**

The words on the banner were the last two lines from Rudyard Kipling's 1914 poem
"For All We Have and Are"

See below this historical banner displayed at the Centenary Exhibition on Sat 9 Aug 2014 in Warkworth