

Project: King Tom Cemetery, Freetown, Sierra Leone**Project Overview:**

Located in Central Freetown near the Capital's main Port, King Tom cemetery contains some 248 Commonwealth burials of the Second World War, two of which are unidentified. There are also 129 First World War burials, many of them due to an epidemic of sickness in September - October 1918. The cemetery also contains 135 non-war burials and 21 war graves of other nationalities which are in the Commission's care.

The Cemetery suffered a series of events of tidal erosion on the old sea wall, and in 2019 DIG were appointed by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission to stabilise the sea wall by constructing a new 90m long, 7m high granite filled gabion stone wall to shore up the location.

Further ancillary works were also carried out, including the installation and services for a new caretakers facility, the replacement of British and commonwealth serviceman's headstones, landscaping and regeneration of the facility.

Client: Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC)**Value: \$500,000****Duration: 6 Months**