

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Cemetery Committee held at 7.00pm on Tuesday 20 September 2005 at The Cemetery. Councillor Auger, Chairman, presided over Councillor Blessett, Fisk and the clerk. No members of the public were present.

010 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – None

011 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None.

012 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was proposed by Cllr Auger and seconded by Cllr Fisk that the minutes of the meeting held on 21 June 2005 be adopted. These were duly signed by the Chairman.

013 BURIAL AUTHORITY SCALE OF FEES

The Clerk reported that LALC had recommended that fees should at least be in line with the level set by the Church of England and that some current fees were considerably lower. After consideration it was proposed, seconded and agreed to **recommend** to full council that interment fees for grave category 1a should be increased to £150.00 and £40 for category 1b.

014 BURIAL GROUND EXTENSION

The clerk reported that the planning application for change of use had been submitted and that following a recent sudden demand for plots it was necessary to proceed with removing the old net fencing and adding fencing to the new boundary as quickly as possible once planning approval had been received.

The Clerk confirmed she had now received three quotes for the work which were carefully considered by the committee. It was proposed, seconded and agreed to **recommend** to full council that B&R Fabrication and Welding be contracted to carry out the work at a total cost of £2850 plus VAT. It had already been agreed at the last meeting that no ground work would be required with the exception of levelling out a small area in the nearest corner to the gate.

015 GENERAL INSPECTION OF CEMETERY

Members were still satisfied with the general condition of the Cemetery. The clerk was asked to arrange that the conifers were cut back where required.

It was noted that the north west corner still remained untidy and that Cllr Auger had not yet been able to meet with the Maintenance Worker to discuss a strategy to include cleaning, turfing and some planting.. However it was agreed this would be a suitable task to be carried out in the winter.

Following the agreement by full council at the June meeting that a contractor be used on a permanent basis to cut the grass in the old section of the Cemetery from next year, the clerk was asked to add cutting of conifer hedge when preparing the formal tender.

016 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – tbc

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 7.40 pm.