

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Cemetery Committee held at 6.00pm on Thursday 6th August 2009 in the Meeting Room at the Institute. Councillors Auger, Barber, Dilks, Lindfors-Windsor, Wallis and the Clerk, Mrs S Kostyrka attended. No members of the public were present. Cllr Barber chaired the meeting.

01/09 To elect a Chairman.

It was proposed by Cllr Auger, seconded by Cllr Lindfors-Windsor and agreed that Cllr Barber would remain as Chairman.

02/09 To receive apologies for absence.

None.

03/09 To receive declarations of interest, if any.

Item 4 – Matters arising, Cllr Auger – Personal (resident)

04/09 To adopt the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 7th May 2009 and to report on any matters arising not included on the agenda.

It was agreed that the compost pile be cleared as soon as possible due to ongoing problems that had been reported to the Police. The Clerk would approach the probation team, and arrange for a skip to be delivered. It was confirmed that SKDC would only cut the hedges in the autumn. It was agreed to go ahead and purchase the trees. It was then proposed by Cllr Auger and seconded by Cllr Wallis that the minutes be signed.

05/09 To consider the Scale of Cemetery Fees and make recommendations to Council.

An example of fees in other areas was given, and it was agreed that our fees were reasonable and that there would be no further increase at this time. It was confirmed that an exclusive rights of burial had to be purchased before a burial could take place, and that the exclusive rights of burial could also be a reservation. **The committee scrutinised the scale of fees to ensure the charges were as clear as possible and it was therefore recommended to Council that these be adopted and they are attached at Appendix 1 to this report.**

06/09 To review the budget and consider the 2010-11 budget and make recommendations to Council.

The budget was reviewed and it was recommended to Council to purchase a hedge trimmer and another wheelbarrow, and to spend £250 from this year's budget to plant trees as agreed, and also to purchase trees to continue the line along the wall once the compost is removed. It was also recommended to donate a further £300 to the probation team, and to purchase a box of biscuits to thank them for their help.

It was recommended to Council to allocated £5000 for the next financial year, and to continue to work within this budget.

07/09 Date of next meeting

To be confirmed.

The meeting finished at 6.45pm