

**ASH-CUM-RIDLEY PARISH COUNCIL
BURIAL GROUND COMMITTEE**
**Minutes of a meeting of the Burial Ground Committee held on Wednesday
15 July 2020 commencing at 10.30am**

Due to the COVID-19 social distancing restrictions, the meeting of the Burial Ground Committee was held virtually via Zoom, in accordance with the Coronavirus Act 2020, clause 78(2).

Present: Cllr M Brown
Cllr Mrs Brammer
Cllr Mrs Clucas
Cllr Mrs Connell
Cllr M Manley
Mr B Parlett (arrived 10.05am)

In attendance: Mrs A de Jager – Parish Clerk

1. Apologies

None

2. Declaration of Interests

None

3. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 June 2020 were approved and will be signed at the next physical meeting of the Burial Ground Committee.

4. Memorial Garden

4.1 Plaques – Cllr Mrs Connell PROPOSED that the limit of characters is reviewed to include the initial 55 characters in the price of the plaque, with additional characters charged at the same rate that is charged to us and that the name is larger than the remaining text. SECONDED: Cllr M Manley and AGREED.

It was AGREED that the font for the Memorial Garden plaque is in the same font as the logo.

4.2 The marking of graves using the template needs to be done and it was suggested that this could be done after the 27th August 2020 and that Cllr M Manley, Mr Parlett and Mr Connell will assist.

5. Future Provision

5.1 The current availability plan was NOTED.

6. Maintenance

6.1 Green Waste Area – the green waste area continues to attract articles of rubbish like glass vases and large quantities of plastic and oasis and this makes it impossible for the contractors to mulch. This has resulted in the expense of having to dispose of the contents at the waste centre. The current contract is to clear this area four times a year. A week

after it was emptied, it is already filling up and if we wait for the next scheduled clearance – it will result in similar expenditure. Cllr Mrs Brammer PROPOSED that we look at dispensing with the green waste area, lift the hardstanding and replace it with a modest bin for flowers. Quotes will be obtained for this work.

- 6.2 Flints have been installed around a grave which need to be removed as a health and safety concern for the contractor using a strimmer. Helium balloons have been placed on two graves, these can be removed as they do not comply with regulation 18. The contractors will be carrying out the maintenance this week.

8. Date of next meeting

It was AGREED that a site meeting will be held on Thursday 30 July 2020 at 9.45am.

The meeting closed at 10.36am

Signed: Date: