

MINUTES OF THE CEMETERY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON 13 SEPTEMBER 2021 - 5.30PM AT THE CEMETERY

Present: Cllr P Higgs, Cllrs Lofthouse, Cllr S Palmer, David Buckland Lengthman,
Maggie Andrews Clerk.

1. **APOLOGIES.** Cllrs Cotterill, Cohen & Tunnell-Westmacott.
2. **MINUTES.** Cllr Higgs signed the minutes of the last meeting which was held on the 14 April 2021, as being a true record.
3. **MATTERS ARISING.**

Covered under agenda items.

4. **TOPPLE TESTING / GENERAL INSPECTION.**

It was noted that a yew tree has been planted at the side of the plot under the name of Turner. This had grown tall – the lengthman has cut this back but it will be removed. Terms and conditions do state that only bulbs and low growing flowers should be planted.

The grave of Mr & Mrs Smith number 81 appears to have been knocked badly, possibly by the grass cutting Contractors. Cllr Tunnell-Westmacott will investigate. Meanwhile the stone has been laid flat.

Infilling of sunken grave plots at the top section of the Cemetery has been completed. Plot 545 in the name of Davies needs infilling. David will continue to infill where necessary.

All other memorial stones appear to be safe but we continue to monitor them for safety issues.

Garden of Remembrance. It is noted that some of the base of a tree at this site appears to be rotten in places – the rest of the tree seems healthy enough. This will be monitored.

The yew trees will be netted at the top to avoid the branches separating in bad weather especially with a heavy snowfall.

An additional ashes row has been added to this area.

5. **GRASS, TREES, WALLS, DRIVEWAY, CHAPEL.**

It was noted that McCrackens did not do a very good job on the last cut – they were alerted and rectified the situation.

All trees are in good order – some lower branches will be trimmed back where necessary.

The Chapel is in good order. The doors have been revarnished.

Walls continue to be checked and rebuilt where necessary.

The driveway is in good order.

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6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

It was agreed that more signs are to be erected in the car park requesting that no unauthorised vehicles are to park. It appears that some vehicles are using this as a car parking facility.

The Cemetery sign on the Upton Road will be remarked since the letters have faded.
David to action.

Date of next meeting to be advised.