

## ST DENNIS PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Cemetery Meeting held in the Claytawc Centre on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at 7.00pm

**Present:** Cllr Snell: (Chair): Cllr Mrs Clarke: Cllr N Edmunds, Cllr Bell. Three residents

**In Attendance:** Pauline Pragnell St Dennis Parish Deputy Clerk.

- . **C 1/17 –** The meeting took place at the cemetery to view the Garden of Rest, and the Cemetery. Several residents attended and gave their opinions about the cutting of the cemetery grass. The grass around the kerbs at the Garden of Rest are left long and look very untidy, weeds growing out of the gravel stones, which need and new membrane then sprayed. The residents thought that a sexton should be employed and it was advised by the Chair, that the parish Council has not got the funding for this. The resident not happy with the weeds around the graves in the burial section, and that the grass was not cut in all areas, also not enough bins. Advised that this will be considered and discussed with the contractor. It could be a good to call for volunteers to cut back the weeds. Returned to the office at 7.35 Cllr Bell had to leave before the meeting recommenced, which left the committee not quorum? So, all discussions will have to be decided at the next full council meeting.

**C2/17 - Election of Chair/Vice Chair**  
Cllr Snell held the meeting

**C3/17- Apologies**  
Cllr Panks, Cllr Murray, Cllr Bates, Cllr Bell.

**C4/17 – Declarations of Interest**  
None

**C5/17 – Public Participation**  
The residents stated that they had given their opinions at the cemetery. They request the matter of the weeds and grass cutting to be addressed.  
**Cllr Snell stated that he thought that the contractor's quotes need to be obtained in the cost of the weeding, membrane for the Garden of Rest and gravel on the empty graves, and the casual labourer to spray the empty plots in the garden of rest. To speak to the contractor on his return from holiday.**

**C6/17 – To adopt the minutes of 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017**  
Unable to adopt.

**C7/17 - At 7.45 pm to discuss with Belinda Crane the plot of her late father in the garden of rest.**  
Unable to discuss as not present.

**C8/17 - To discuss the missing signs showing the row numbers in the burial ground.**

Cllr Clarke proposed the same as in the GOR, but those markers would not be able to go into the ground, as the markers need to be concreted in. Cllr Snell to check in B&Q to see if appropriate markers, and it was suggested to ask Steve Johnson if he could mark them. **Await Cllr Snell for the type of marker to be used.**

**C9/17 To discuss if wooded crosses need to be purchased for the poppy field for Remembrance Day.**

**Cllr Clarke advised that the poppies are obtained by speaking to Ian Lobb and a donation given to the British Legion. Cllr Snell to check for red heathers for Remembrance Day.**

**C10/17 Any other matters**

None

*That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw*

*Any other urgent and relevant confidential item, for information, that the Chairman considers appropriate.*

The meeting was closed by the Chairman at 8.10 pm

Signed..... Date.....

Chairman of the Cemetery Committee