

PRUDHOE TOWN COUNCIL
DRAFT Minutes of the Cemetery & War Memorial Committee Meeting,
held virtually, via Zoom at 7:00 pm on Thursday 10th September 2020

The agenda and associated papers for the meeting were published on-line on Thursday 3rd September 2020.

PRESENT

Cllr Duncan Couchman (Chair), Cllr Glenn Simpson, Cllr Bryan Futers, Cllr Jennifer McGee, Cllr Angie Scott, Cllr Tracy Gilmore (Ex Officio)

2021/054 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Andy Gill

2021/055 Declarations of Interest

None received.

2021/056 Dispensations None**2021/057 Public Participation No requests received.****2021/058 DRAFT Minutes of Cemetery Meeting, held on 10th August 2020**

It was **AGREED to RECEIVE** the minutes as a true record.

Proposed: Cllr Glenn Simpson Seconded: Cllr Duncan Couchman

2021/059 Exclusion of the Press and Public

It was **AGREED** to approve a motion to invoke Standing Order 2d) to exclude the press and public, in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, permitted under Schedule (12A) Local Government Act 1972

2021/060 New Fencing in top south corner of Edgewell Old Cemetery (Highfield Lane/Edgewell Road)

It was **AGREED** to endorse that Dolan Plant Hire continue fence line previously installed, up to green metal fence on Highfield Lane. This will include removing existing concrete posts and chain link fencing, clearing foliage and levelling site.

It was **AGREED** to complete an order for the work at a cost of £2,560.61.

2021/061 Landscaping to top, left corner of Edgewell Old Cemetery

Following issuing the specification agreed at the previous meeting (as below), the Council received the following quotations:

Contractor A - £4,225

Contractor B - £5,900

It was **AGREED** to place an order for the work with Holly Landscaping at a cost of £4,225.

Following discussion, it was further agreed to check the maintenance of the suggested shrub 'heuchera', which it is believed has to be split each year.

The Cemetery Committee agreed that they would like both sides to be mainly grassed. The areas cannot raise the level too much, so it is expected that turf as opposed to topsoil, and seed will be more appropriate.

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The Cemetery Committee would like carpet roses up both side of the path from the entrance to the tree line on the right hand side and the same on the left, but leaving sufficient space for a wheel barrow to get through to the spoil heap.

The Cemetery Committee agreed a spoil heap as opposed to spoil container, for easier disposal. Therefore, we need a 3-foot hedge on two sides – one parallel with the path and another with the tree line, laurel could work well here, but any that will give an attractive 3-4-foot screen.

Whereas grass would be suitable in between the hedge and the carpet roses, on the left, the other side of the spoil heap could be low/no maintenance ground covering, fern, and heathers for example.

The gap needs an informal path towards the spoil heap, either wooden borders on either side or a whacked space between the grass and ground covering.

The Cemetery Committee would also like x3 shrub beds on the right. They would like to see some attractive, easy to maintain shrubs, colour if possible, and definitely some berberis to deter folk from the fence line of the house.

The verge on the outside of the fence has lost any growth of grass; this needs attention so it can be strimmed as part of the maintenance of the cemetery.

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