

INTENTION TO UNDERTAKE MEMORIAL TESTING

Please be aware that under the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 and 1999 and Local Authorities Cemeteries Order 1977 and 1999 Broseley Town Council intends to undertake memorial testing in Broseley Cemetery.

All safety testing will be in accordance with the Ministry of Justice guidance 'Managing the safety of Burial Ground Memorials.'

All memorials will be visually inspected to

- 1. Identify any hazards caused by unstable memorials.
- 2. Identify who might be harmed and how.
- 3. Evaluate the risk of a memorial failing.
- 4. Record significant findings of the assessment and implement any precautions necessary.

Any memorials showing signs of damage, lean or instability will be hand tested and measured for damage and degrees of lean. A record will be kept of the findings. Because of the risk of damage, no mechanical testing will take place at this location.

Following the testing process every effort will be made to inform the legal owners of memorials of all remedial works required and a notice will be attached to the memorial. 28 days notice will be given for any intended action to a memorial unless it is considered an immediate danger.

As a place of burial, all testers will have respectful regard to graves and memorials and will conduct themselves accordingly.

Further information can be found in the Council's Memorial Safety Policy, which is available from the Council office or from the Cemetery Attendant. If you have any questions or would like any further information regarding the testing programme, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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