

**ASH-CUM-RIDLEY PARISH COUNCIL  
BURIAL GROUND COMMITTEE**

**Minutes of a meeting of the Burial Ground Committee held on Monday  
27 June 2016 at 4.00pm in the Viewing Gallery of Ash Green Sports Centre**

Present: Cllr M Brown  
Cllr Mrs Brammer  
Cllr Mrs Clucas  
Cllr Mrs Connell

Mrs A de Jager – Parish Clerk

**1. Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs J Scott and Mrs Howie

**2. Election of Chairman for the 2016/17 Year**

Cllr Mrs Connell PROPOSED that Cllr M Brown is elected Chairman for the year 2016/17 SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Brammer and AGREED.

**3. Declaration of Interests**

Cllr Mrs Connell declared an interest in any discussion regarding tree works that may be carried out by a family member.

**4. Minutes of the last meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 April 2016 were approved and signed as a correct record with a correct to the Tree numbers T4 and T5.

**5. Current Maintenance Needs**

- The contractor will be asked to trim the top and sides of the new Yew hedge to keep the hedge at a one foot width and 4'6" height.
- A letter will be sent to the landowner requesting the removal of the Ash saplings in the field behind the hedge.
- Letters will be sent to Grant of Right owners regarding the subsidised graves.
- Plot 315A – the Grant of Right owner will be asked to remove the loose stones and requested to put in an application for kerbs in the same material as the headstone.
- Plot 298 – the Grant of Right owner will be asked to remove the conifer.
- Plot 279 – the Grant of Right owner will be asked to trim or remove the tree.

*Having declared an interest in tree work, Cllr Mrs Connell took no part in the discussion or decision of the following item.*

- Cllr Mrs Clucas PROPOSED that Mr N Connell is asked to inspect the Ash Tree nearest the Church in the hedge between the Burial Ground and Churchyard. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Brammer.

- Cllr Mrs Brammer PROPOSED that the quotation from Mr Munday to remove the ivy from the Ash trees in the hedge between the Burial Ground and Churchyard in the amount of £80.00 is accepted. SECONDED: Cllr M Brown and AGREED.

## 6. Memorials

No report.

## 7. Future Provision

- 6.1 The current availability was NOTED. Information giving separate numbers for burials in new graves and existing graves and interments of ashes and burials will be brought to the next meeting.
- 6.2 New Burial Ground – this item will be progressed upon completion of the permissions for the Memorial Garden.
- 6.3 Memorial Garden – the visit from representatives of the St Giles Church Burial Committee was much appreciated and the sharing of information has been of great value. It was AGREED that a single application should be submitted to the Diocese for the entire structure of the wall, even if it is decided to build it in stages. 400 plots will be allocated for the interment of ashes. The number of plaques and size will be calculated to determine the dimensions of the wall. Cllr Mrs Connell will meet with the Clerk to put together a specification for the wall. Cllr Mrs Brammer PROPOSED that Mr Harbinson is approached to draw the plans for the wall. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Clucas and AGREED.

## 8. Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting of the Burial Ground Committee was set for 30 August 2016 at 4.00pm.

The meeting closed at 4.55pm

Signed: ..... Date: .....