

**FINAL MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BURIAL GROUND COMMITTEE PENNARD
COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON THURS 7th MARCH 2019
AT PENNARD COMMUNITY HALL (Small Hall)
at 7.30pm**

Present: , Cllr Jeff Rogers (Chair), Cllr Susan Rodaway, Cllr Sally Rogers, Cllr Arthur Rogers, Cllr Darren Hickery, Cllr Claire Whomes, Caroline Dyche

1. **Apologies:** Cllr Jean Marnell

2. **Declarations of Interest:** None.

3. **Update on Burial Ground Issues**

- a. It has been decided to hold a bank of soil in the bottom corner of the burial ground to help with ground leveling.
- b. One of the bins has been broken in the high winds and has been replaced with the spare from the Hall
- c. Notes are to be attached to grave entries in the burial book where problems have been discovered eg a grave which has been dug too close to a neighbor or dug out of alignment, providing info for successive councilors and clerks.
- d. The grass was not cut as promised, once the new contractor starts we will task them on an ad hoc basis to trim round the graves.

3. **To Discuss Garden of Remembrance Plaques**

The Clerk explained the problems in getting the existing steel plaques engraved and passed round a sample of an acrylic version. The committee agreed that this would be a suitable replacement once the Clerk saw a finished sample cut to the exact requirements needed.

Proposed Seconded and Agreed

4. **To Agree Alternative Pest Controls**

Cllr Rodaway asked if we could trial some solar powered sonic Mole deterrents in the BG. This was discussed and a sample looked at. It was decided to use our Pest Controller to deal with the existing problem and then purchase 2 devices as a trial.

Proposed Seconded and Agreed

Action Clerk

5. **To Review of Burial Ground Policy and Procedures**

This was discussed and a copy amended in line with current guidelines.

Proposed Seconded and Agreed

6. **To Discuss The Possibility Of A Future Pathway**

Cllr Jeff Rogers explained the need to create a pathway wide enough to access any future land that may be required once the BG becomes full. He suggested that we skip two rows after the completion of the next row and perhaps create a feature of this by placing some benches on the area.

Proposed Seconded and Agreed

7. To Agree Health and Safety Work Required

a. To Discuss Solution To Deal With Uneven Ground

The Grave digger is going to look at the older graves and top them up where necessary to deal with any potential trip hazards.

b. Health and Safety Inspection

As the annual inspection is now due the Clerk was asked to instruct the Inspector to carry this out.

Action Clerk

The meeting closed at 8.45pm
