

**MINUTES OF THE PLAYFIELD, CEMETERY AND ALLOTMENT MEETING
HELD IN THE WVCA HALL ON WEDNESDAY 17th JANUARY 2018**

Present: Cllrs A Broad (Chairman), M Godwin, C Lewis, V Perry, P O'Leary,
& S Dyer (Clerk)

CEM/18/01 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
No members of the public in attendance.

CEM/18/02 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
No apologies, all present.

CEM/18/03 **TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARTIONS OF INTERESTS**
None received.

CEM/18/04 **TO RECEIVE, CONSIDER AND GRANT ANY DISPENSATIONS**
None.

CEM/18/05 **TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26th JULY 2017**
The minutes of the meeting held on 26th July 2017, previously circulated, were signed as a true record of this meeting by Mr A Broad (Chairman)

CEM/18/06 **TO DISCUSS THE QUOTES RECEIVED TO TIDY THE REMAINING TREES AT THE CEMETERY**
A quote has been received to tidy the remaining large trees at the cemetery with an option of cutting one down which is splitting, and therefore will need to be felled as some stage.
It was resolved to recommend to go ahead with this work straight way if possible, as there are still funds available in the 2017/2018 budget, this will then complete the tree work at the cemetery.

CEM/18/07 **TO DISCUSS THE LETTER RECEIVED REGARDING TREE PLANTING AT THE CEMETERY AND AGREE A RESPONSE**
A letter has been received from a grave owner complaining that a tree has been planted by the grave obstructing his view and asking why we did not ask his permission to plant it.
The Clerk advised that the Yew tree was planted in February 2016 to replace the large trees which were removed in this area. It is planted on the grass verge adjacent to the grave and is not overhanging the grave.
It was resolved to write back to the gentleman explaining that the Village Council do their utmost to maintain and improve the overall appearance of the cemetery for all its visitors and that it is unreasonable to expect us to write to specific grave owners when these improvement works are carried out. We will ensure the tree does not overhang the grave by keeping it trimmed back.

CEM/18/08 TO DISCUSS THE CEMETERY FEES FOR 2018/2019 AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION ON THESE

The cemetery fees were increased by 10% last year, it was resolved to recommend that they stay the same for the coming year and review them again in January 2019.

CEM/18/09 TO DISCUSS AND RECOMMEND A BUDGET FOR 2018/2019 FOR:- CEMETERY/PLAYFIELD/ALLOTMENTS/GENERAL MAINTENANCE

All areas were discussed in detail and work budgeted for, it was resolved to recommend the following:-

Cemetery - £8,500.00

Playfield - £3,500.00

General Maintenance - £2,200.00

Allotments - £800.00

Total - £15,000.00

Meeting ended at 8.45p.m.