MINUTES OF THE PLAYFIELD, CEMETERY AND ALLOTMENT MEETING HELD AT THE CEMETERY, PLAYPARK & ALLOTMENT SITES ON WEDNESDAY 16th AUGUST 2023

- Present: Cllrs P O'Leary (Chair), M Dury, J Fox-Bowen, C Lewis, V Perry, & S Dyer (Clerk)
- CEM/23/10 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** No members of the public in attendance.

CEM/23/11 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE The Clerk gave apologies for Pat Orchard who was unable to attend the meeting, this apology was accepted.

- CEM/23/12 **TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARTIONS OF INTERESTS** None received.
- CEM/23/13 **TO RECEIVE, CONSIDER AND GRANT ANY DISPENSATIONS** None.
- CEM/23/14 **TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11th JANUARY 2023** The minutes of the meeting held on 11th January 2023, previously circulated, were agreed and signed.

CEM/23/15 TO DISCUSS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON MAINTENANCE WORK REQUIRED AT THE CEMETERY

It was agreed to recommend the following work is carried out:-

- 1. The planter near the cremation section needs rebuilding and new plants put in.
- 2. The grass needs to be swept off the cremation stones.
- 3. Area inside the skip area needs clearing i.e. mattress, fridge, wooden crates
- 4. A new metal gate is needed at the rear of the cemetery, as the existing one comes off its hinges when being opened from the road side.
- 5. The bench on the top right hand side of the cemetery which is broken needs to be removed.
- 6. The bench by the cremation section needs repainting.
- 7. A new noticeboard is needed.
- 8. The vegetation in the field next door needs cutting back to make it safe when cars are pulling out of the cemetery.
- 9. To recommend that a bolder style headstone is allowed on grave A113.

CEM/23/16 REVIEW THE LATEST PLAYPARK INPSECTION REPORT, DISCUSS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING ANY MAINTENANCE REQUIRED

Two new signs need to be ordered to be installed on the two entrance gates stating 'No dogs beyond this point' as dogs are frequently being taken into the park. It was agreed that the Playpark was very tidy considering how many people have been using it during the school holidays. Cllr M Dury left the meeting at 7.40pm.

CEM/23/17 VISIT THE ALLOTMENT SITE AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING ANY MAINTENANCE REQUIRED

It was extremely disappointing that many of the allotment plots and footpaths were overgrown with weeds. Councillors agreed that the recent wet weather has not helped with this, an e-mail will be sent around to all allotment holders asking them to work to maintain their plots. Another inspection will be made at the end of September and individual plot holders contacted if no improvements have been made. The following maintenance work is required:-

- 1. Strim the communal areas on the allotment site.
- 2. Fix the sign around the pond.
- 3. Clear the vegetation around the bench next to the Pre-school plot.
- 4. Remove the old netting.

Meeting ended at 8.10.p.m.