

WIMBORNE CEMETERY JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held in the Council Chamber at Wimborne Minster Town Hall on
Thursday 09 October 2014 at 10.00 am

Present: Cllr. S. Cook – Chairman Cllr. A. Cross
 Cllr. L. Harvey Cllr. M. Huntriss
 Mrs P. Holloway – Clerk
 Mr Brian Richmond – Cemetery Superintendent

The Chairman welcomed the Cemetery Superintendent, Mr Brian Richmond, to the meeting. After acknowledging his work over the last 25 years as the superintendent, Cllr Cook made a presentation in appreciation of his dedicated service to Wimborne Cemetery.

14/49 APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE

Cllr. S. Cowsill

14/50 RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None

14/51 SIGN AND APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 03 September 2014

Minute No: 14/14 (d)

Cllr Cook has contacted the PCSO regarding the parking problems and advised that a request to the schools to advise drivers not to park on private land would be sent. Clerk to investigate costs of a new gate sign asking for vehicles not to obstruct entrance, also to check boundary line for the allotment.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 03 September 2014 were confirmed and signed as a true and accurate record

14/52 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

This was not available at the time of the meeting

14/53 ANNUAL RENEWAL DATE FOR ALLOTMENTS

Members discussed the renewal date, which is currently 1st September to 31st August. After taking advice from the National Allotment Society and due to the growing season, it was

RESOLVED to adjust the annual renewal date to 1st October – 30th September.

Allotment members will be advised of this and to compensate for the change during next year's renewals they will be given 13 months tenancy at no extra charge.

Voting: Unanimous

14/54 REVIEW WORDING ON PRICE LIST AND MEMORIAL APPLICATION

a) Discussion took place regarding the sentence on the price list, relating to the time that a resident has been moved involuntarily and it was

RESOLVED to remove this wording from the price list

Voting: Unanimous

b) After discussing the memorial application, it was agreed that the application form should include wording relating to clean/replace a memorial as this will ensure stonemasons apply for the permit to carry out such work.

RESOLVED to add this wording to the memorial application form

Voting: Unanimous

14/55 OPENING/CLOSING TIMES FOR CEMETERY GATES

Members discussed new times for the gates to be opened and closed and the following times were proposed:

Stone Lane Gate – Open Times, Monday – Friday 9.00 am – 5.00 pm
 Saturday, Sunday and bank holidays – Closed

Lodge Gate – Open Times, SUMMER: 1st April – 30th September
 Monday - Friday 9.00 am – 8.00 pm
 Saturday, Sunday and bank holidays
 9.00 am – 8.00 pm
 WINTER: 1st October – 31st March
 Monday – Friday 9.00 am – 5.00 pm
 Saturday, Sunday and bank holidays
 9.00am – 5.00 pm

Clerk to ask Mr Richard Liddiard for his assistance during the weekends with regard to the lodge gate only.

RESOLVED to amend the new opening/closing hours

Voting: Unanimous

14/56 CLERKS REPORT**a) Minute No: 14/07**

(4c) Roof on toilet block not yet repaired or tiles missing from the Chapel replaced. Clerk has contacted 3 roofing companies recently in respect of carrying out the work but to date, no one has followed this up

(4d) Deeds for cemetery now received from Land Registry

b) Minute No: 14/37

A solicitor has been contacted with regard to the boundary line between the cemetery and St Margarets Close.

14/57 INFORMATION**Minute No: 14/37 (b)**

Advice was requested from a solicitor with regard to the boundary fence that the owner of No.6 St Margarets Close has been asked to replace. The solicitor advised that taking action to enforce this could result in legal charges exceeding the cost of a fence. Therefore the WCJMC would probably find it advisable to reinstate a fence at the committee's own costs, between the cemetery boundary and No. 6 St. Margarets Close.

The annual letter sent to the three properties in St. Margarets Close was also discussed and the solicitor advised that they should continue to be sent. This is a reminder to residents on a regular basis that they are allowed the use of the strip of land between the cemetery and the rear boundary of their property and that this can be reviewed on an annual basis. The cemetery superintendent to check the ditch levels on a regular basis.

The Clerk informed councillors that Douch and Small are making arrangements to join BRAMM

14/58 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

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