

WHITWELL PARISH COUNCIL/HODTHORPE & BELPH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of a Joint Cemetery Committee held at Bakestone Moor Community Hall at 19.00 on Wednesday 1 February 2012

Present:

Councillor S Maiden (WPC) in the Chair,
Councillor S Frow (WPC),
Councillor S Hardy (H&BPC),
Councillor V Mills (WPC),
Councillor T Munro (WPC),
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1. Apologies for absence

There were no apologies.

2. Resolution to exclude members of the public and press in order to discuss items of a confidential nature

It was **resolved** to exclude the public and press from the remainder of the meeting on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

3. To discuss and agree the Terms of Agreement of joint operation for the administration and maintenance of the Whitwell Cemetery between Whitwell Parish Council and Hodthorpe & Belph Parish.

The Chair outlined the amendments made to the draft cemetery agreement following the comments received from H&BPC with regard to the future use of the Cemetery Reserve. It was intended that all expenditure on the cemetery be shared on the agreed basis between the two councils and that all income from fees and charges be credited to the Cemetery Reserve which would be used eventually for the purchase of land in order to extend the cemetery.

The Clerk explained, for the benefit of the H&BPC representatives, the change in the basis of the cemetery contract with effect from 1 April 2012. WPC would be no longer paying the contractor a contract sum but instead the contractor would be deriving his income from burial fees paid direct by the estates of the deceased. WPC would charge the estates an administration fee.

It was **resolved** that the respective representatives inform their councils that agreement had been reached to the establishment of a Joint Cemetery Committee with Hodthorpe &

Belph Parish Council on the basis of the Agreement discussed and attached to these minutes and ask that such arrangements be approved.

4. Date of Next Meeting

It was **resolved** that the next meeting be held on 16 May 2012 at 19:00 at Bakestone Moor Community Hall and that the agenda include items for the update of information regarding future land acquisition and the venue of future meeting.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 19:37.

Signed Chairman

Date