BARROWBY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Barrowby Burial Ground Committee Meeting held on Friday 3rd March 2023 at the Reading Room, Barrowby at 12.45pm

There were no members of the public present.

1. WELCOME REMARKS (22/027)

1.1 The Chairman welcomed members to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance. Those in attendance were Councillors Cupit, Brown, Lees, Townsend and the Clerk Mrs J Moss.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (22/028)

2.1 No absences.

3. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 (22/029)

3.1 None received.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (22/030)

- 4.1 The Clerk's minutes of the Burial Ground Committee meeting held on 27th January 2023, having been proposed by Councillor Lees and seconded by Councillor Brown, were agreed to be a true and accurate record and were passed unanimously by the committee.
- 4.2 Members noted that all the Clerk's actions have been completed. Councillor Cupit updated members on his meeting with Hempsteads at the Burial Ground and he reported that they are not interested in carrying out any maintenance of the grass.

Action: Clerk to get 2 more quotes for maintenance of the grass.

Action: Clerk to add to Parish Council meeting Agenda to approve a nominal budget to cover the maintenance.

5. BURIAL GROUND MATTERS ARISING (22/031)

- 5.1 Members noted that there has been one burial in the Burial Ground since the previous meeting and 3 requests received for headstones which are still waiting for approval by some members. Councillor Lees gave his formal approval.
- 5.2 Members noted correspondence received regarding the churchyard bin and compost area.

 Action: Clerk to update the notice at the Burial Ground regarding wreaths and to liaise with Dave Parker about erecting a sign by the compost bin.
- 5.3 Members noted the updated Burial Ground plan. It was noted that a small number of plots have numerous statues and other items in front of the headstone which is against the Burial Ground Policy.

Action: Clerk to write to the owners of the affected graves and remind them about the policy and ask that the items are removed within 28 days or they will be removed without charge by order of the Burial Ground Committee thereafter.

6. BURIAL GROUND CHARGES (22/032)

6.1 Members reviewed the Burial Ground charges and following a proposal by Councillor Lees and seconded by Councillor Townsend resolved to approve an increase and to recommend acceptance by the Parish Council.

Action: Clerk to add to Parish Council Agenda approval of increase to Burial Ground charges.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING (22/033)

7.1 The next meeting will be held on Monday 5th June 2023 at 12.45pm at the Reading Room. The meeting closed at 3.20pm.