

MEETING OF SHEFFORD AND CAMPTON JOINT BURIAL BOARD

Minutes of the meeting of the Board held via Zoom on Thursday 8th December 2022 at 10.30am.

Present: Cllr Ash and Cllr Longson for Campton and Cllrs, Pollard, Fowler, Mackin for Shefford. Clerk for Shefford Francesca Fitch, Clerk for Campton and Chicksands, Tammy Medley.

Apologies Cllr Fensome.

33/22 MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING, MATTERS ARISING

The minutes of the 9th November 2022 meeting were agreed as a true reflection of the meeting.

Matters arising: None

34/22 BURIAL GROUND CAMPTON, TO DISCUSS THE ONGOING ISSUE WITH THE WALL:

Following the full report being received from FE Surveying Solutions it was reviewed by the Committee. It is clear from this initial letter that a large section (between the burial ground and the adjacent property in Greenway) of the wall is unsafe and unrepairable.

TM is in contact with both the Diocese and the CBC Conservation officer to establish if any permission would be required to carry out works to the wall, the Diocese have confirmed that the wall is the responsibility of the JBB.

Cllr Ash is awaiting a quote for both a full rebuild and a partial rebuild.

TM has been investigating funding, it is limited as the application will not be on behalf of the church and it is not for works within the church or on a listed wall.

CACS PC spoke to the residents in the neighbouring property, they would prefer a wall of similar size. TM will write to them today warning them that the wall is unstable and that the Cllrs are concerned for their vehicles, which are parked in close proximity and for the play equipment. It was discussed how long the resident had lived at the property? They have agreed to a section of the wall adjacent to their rear garden to be replaced with fencing.

TM will arrange for orange safety netting to be erected along the wall and safety signs to be placed on the netting.

36/22 ANALYSIS OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE 8 MONTHS TO 30 NOVEMBER 2022, EXPLANATION OF VARIANCES AGAINST BUDGET FOR THE JBB:

Details of the finances were circulated prior to the meeting, all Cllrs agreed to the update.

37/22 AGREE PRECEPT:

A 10% increase to the precept was agreed at the previous meeting, having completed the full budget, which has been presented, it was agreed only a 2% increase is required.

38/22 AOB

Mr Crow, who used to carry out garden works at the cemetery recently passed away.

39/22 NEXT MEETING

10:30am Thursday 16th February 2023, via Zoom.