

LITTLE MARLOW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Burial Ground Committee held on 7th April 2020 held remotely via Microsoft Teams, commencing at 2pm

UNCONFIRMED

Present: Cllr J Downes (JD) – Chairman, Cllr V Brownridge (VB), Mrs J Murray, Parish Clerk			No Members of the public present
Minute Ref:	Agenda Item	Action	
BG49/20	1. Apologies for Absence Cllr R Randall (RR)		
BG50/20	2. Declarations of Interest – personal or prejudicial None		
BG51/20	3. To review the Minutes of the Burial Ground Committee meeting held on the 25th October 2019, which were approved at the Parish Council meeting on 12th November 2019 - Contact Verity West re hedge - New Sheepridge Lane gate ordered, to be delivered in approx. 8 weeks and be installed once lockdown is lifted	Clerk	
BG52/20	4. To review closure of cemetery, except for burials Following lobbying for clearer rules on the closure of cemeteries to the public except for funerals and burials, the Ministry of Justice has confirmed that Section 5(8) of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) Regulations 2020 requires those responsible for crematoria to close them except for funerals. This requirement to close would also include a cemetery if the crematorium is situated in the cemetery, which could only be open for burials. The Regulation does not apply to other cemeteries, which can stay open. Consequently, Fern Lane Cemetery will now remain open to the public subject to governmental guidelines. The Burial Ground Committee supported the decision to close and open the Burial Ground.		
BG53/20	5. To review capacity of existing cemetery for burials and draw up a plan for grave digger to follow in future months Cllr J Downes is liaising with Keith Heybourne, Grave Digger, regarding burial space. It was noted that without landscaping there is currently four years burial space. Clerk to keep in contact with Trevor Robson at ICCM	JD Clerk	
BG54/20	6. To review bench request The bench request was agreed. Once lockdown is lifted the bench location will be agreed and the Clerk will liaise with the applicant.	Clerk	
BG55/20	7. Items of Note None		
BG56/20	8. Date of next meeting Tbc		
There being no further business to be transacted the meeting was closed at 2.30pm			

Abbreviations:

LMPC	Little Marlow Parish Council	WDC	Wycombe District Council
BCC	Bucks County Council	TfB	Trans[port for Bucks
CDC	Chiltern District Council	RTR	RESOLVED to RECOMMEND

Signed:

Chairman

Date: