

## NETHER ALDERLEY PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Nether Alderley Burial Board Meeting held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 6.00 p.m. at Nether Alderley Parish Hall

**In the Chair:** Cllr. S.Lewis

**Parish Councillors present:** Y.Bentley, J.Shufflebottom and J.Wilkinson  
**Also present:** The Parish Council Clerk

1. **Burial Ground Inspection** – Councillors inspected the Burial Ground
2. **To receive apologies for absence** – None
3. **To receive members Declarations of Interest** – No declarations were made
4. **To consider Applications for Dispensations** – No applications for dispensation were submitted.
5. **Councillors noted the Minutes of the Burial Board meeting held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2017 were approved at the Parish Council meeting on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017**
6. **Public presentation** – There was no public representation
7. **The meeting resumed**
8. **To consider actions in relation to the Burial Ground inspection**

The Burial Board confirmed that, further to inspection of all aspects of the burial ground, the following:

- 8.1 **Benches** – Councillors agreed that all the benches are in need of cleaning/wood treatment which will be carried out during the summer. Cllr. Lewis volunteered to prune one of the small trees in the New Burial Ground in order to reinstate a memorial bench onto paving stones which are positioned under the canopy of the tree.
- 8.2 **Trees, bushes, hedges (including large tree in OBG)** – To be reviewed in September 2018
- 8.3 **Headstones** – Remedial works to Grave 246 (NBG) and Grave 93 (OBG) have been completed and can be removed from the list.
- 8.4 **Memorials with some movement but concurred ground anchor in place** - Three additional headstones in the New Burial Ground are to be added to the 'watch' list.
9. **To consider and review the Transfer of Deed re: Exclusive Right of Burial:**
  - 9.1 No amendments made
  - 9.2 The Clerk confirmed that since its introduction last year, owners of new graves have mostly returned the Transfer of Deed which will be kept on file.
10. **To consider and review the Burial Board Regulations (2012) including additional amendments:**
  - 10.1 No additional amendments

**10.2** The Clerk reported that although the booklet is available on the website and in PDF format, there are a small number of hard copies available. The Burial Board asked the Clerk to make enquiries about having the booklet reprinted (including amendments) and report back at the next meeting in September 2018.

**11. To note correspondence received since the last Burial Board meeting:**

**11.1 Temporary storage of items belonging to St. Mary's Church re: Insurance** – The Rector of St. Mary's Church had been informed that items belonging to the Church and stored in the Parish Hall/Mausoleum are not covered under the Parish Hall Insurance. The matter was subsequently referred to the Standing Committee of St. Mary's.

**11.2 Request for information from a consultant to produce a Cemeteries Strategy for Cheshire East Council** – The Clerk confirmed that information had been provided to the consultant in order to establish local burial provision which will contribute towards a report.

**12. To consider any other matters relating to the Burial Board and Burial Ground:**

**To exclude the public and press in the public interest for consideration of the following items:**

**a. Personal issues**

**b. Legal issues**

**12.1 Consideration and approval to purchase an ashes plot in the Old Burial Ground (OBG 29)**

– Please refer to Part Two Meeting Minutes 04.03.18 Appendix A

Minutes taken by: the Clerk.

Signed..... Date.....