

Ormesby St Margaret With Scratby Parish Council

Burial Ground

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, March 27th, 2024 – 1600 - at Ormesby Burial Ground

In attendance:

Councillors J Gingell (Chair), K Wendt, G Freeman, – Officers C Batten (Clerk).

1. Apologies - Cllr S Calnon, Rev J Wood & K Jordan.

2. Declarations of Interest - None

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

3.1 To approve the meeting minutes held on the 28th of September, 2023.

Proposed by Cllr Freeman and Seconded by Cllr Wendt– **Passed**

3.2 Matters arising – The Burial Ground Capacity was not included as a follow-up on this agenda. It was agreed that the capacity of the Parish Burial ground needs to be included in the local plan. It was suggested that the Parish write to strategic planning and request input on this subject when planning occurs.

4. Patio / Path Behind Church - Cllr Gingell will contact the Diocese regarding the work required in the patio area, specifically the lifting of the patio. In addition to ensuring the work is completed correctly, he will explore options and ensure all paperwork is completed before progressing.

5. Boundary Issues / Soil Bin – It was agreed that the Bin would be relocated to a suitable area, and some ground clearance work would be required to facilitate this. Cllr Gingell agreed to research suitable Soil Bins and pricing and refer to the Clerk for ordering.

Proposed by Cllr Wendt, Seconded Cllr Freeman – **Passed**

6. Ashes Internment Area – It was agreed that the area would be extended from Row 3 to protect existing Graves and extend in length by 13 to 14'. Proposed by Cllr Freeman, Seconded by Cllr Wendt – **Passed For Council Approval**

- 7. Path to Station Road** - It was confirmed that the path would need to be repaired and widened to prevent further damage, which was suspected to be caused by the Grave Diggers machinery. It was suggested that a Post could be put on Facebook to ask for volunteers to help with the work. Cllr Freeman suggested talking to one of his contacts regarding specialist machinery to undertake the work. This will be investigated further.
- 8. Tree Survey** - It was agreed that a Tree Survey was required and this should be arranged by the Parish Clerk. It was also noted that there is a branch overhanging one of the Benches at the Church end of the Burial Ground, and for safety reasons, the owners should be contacted to gain approval for the offending branch to be cut back. To be arranged by the Clerk.