

Minutes of the Holme on Spalding Moor Parish Council Burial Committee meeting Wednesday 4 February 2009 at 7.30pm in the Methodist Chapel  
Present: Chris Worrall (Chairman), Ann Dowson, Doreen Engall, Wendy Evans, Madge Johnson

Apologies: Ernest Smith, Rev Nigel Strafford

Clerk: Steve Young 01757 288234

The meeting was called to discuss the consecration of the new cemetery

1. Consecration stone, Clerk to order a 4<sup>th</sup> stone from Rotherhams
2. Clerk read out a letter received from Paul & Dawn Brocklesby who live at Beaconfield adjacent to the new cemetery. They expressed concern that the screening agreed previously had not happened, it was agreed that Chairman and Clerk would meet with them to discuss
3. Layout of the new cemetery was confirmed as being: consecrated area to be sections GECA plus paths between them but not the main path with G being for cremated remains. Areas to be left unconsecrated to be HFDB and the main path with H to be used for other faith and secular burials. The buffer zone to the left of the entrance path to be left unconsecrated and possible be used for green burials. A hedge is to be planted between the entrance path and the buffer zone and a seat to be sited, a stone map of the view was discussed and Chairman to obtain prices
4. Preparation, work is needed to cut the existing hedge, cut the grass, plant the new hedge and trees plus place the consecration stones and dig out the paths. Clerk to get quotes for the original hedge and grass cut plus regular cuts and also to ask for volunteers for the future on a rota basis via the newsletter. Clerk to investigate supply of a bench and it was also decided to investigate a summerhouse seating area
5. Timing, it was decided to arrange the consecration for Summer 2010 possibly on Yorkshire Day, this to allow time to carry out preparation tasks and for hedging and trees to mature
6. Headstones, Chairman will arrange for a copy of rules and regulations to discuss at the next meeting
7. Ideas for the consecration celebration were discussed; it should happen on the hill following lighting of the beacon, a consecration book could be signed by all attending, picnic or garden party, parade with marching band plus a band concert and last night of the proms, provide a memento for children, make a DVD of the day

The meeting closed at 8.30pm