MINUTES OF TREGONY WITH CUBY PARISH COUNCIL CEMETERY COMMITTEE MEETING ON MONDAY, 27th MARCH 2023

- Minute No. The committee met at Tregony Church Hall.
- 1/23CM <u>PRESENT</u> were Cllrs Matthews (Chair), Ashley, Floyd Norris, Harris and Lytham Clerk – Mrs M Symons
- 2/23CM <u>APOLOGIES</u> None
- 3/23CM <u>THE MINUTES</u> of the meeting held on 22nd September 2023 had been circulated previously. Resolved that the minutes were adopted as a true record- proposed Cllr Ashley, seconded Cllr Floyd Norris

MATTERS ARISING from Inspection of Cemeteries

- 4/23CM The new cemetery is looking very tidy Christmas memorials have been removed
- 5/23CM There are several headstones standing quite proud. Need to really pin-down Stonemasons to get headstones planted in accordance to Cemetery rules Clerk to rewrite rules and show with pictures how the headstones should be placed.
- 6/23CM Clerk has put notices in Cemetery notice board reiterating the rules.

MATTERS ARISING from minutes

7/23CM 38/22CM- Trees bordering Roseland Community College/Tregony Primary School – in old Cemetery – Ash Die back problems have been completed but there are still some shared trees between the Old Cemetery and the Churchyard that are under review. Councillors are concerned about rumours that the PCC are considering declaring the Churchyard closed and handing to the Local Authority to maintain. Trees future could be mixed and access to Old Cemetery could be restricted.

8/23CM <u>CEMETERY ACTIVITY</u>

Since the last meeting there have been 2 burials, 1 ashes interned and headstones erected.

9/23CM HOCKINGS MEADOW

Access / drainage work carried out by Christopher and Stewart Matthews seem to have helped over this winter and the area has been much drier. They will tackle more fencework over the summer

10/23CM CEMETERY GENERAL MAINTENANCE

Old Cemetery – Discussion started about how to plan for the future and what to achieve – possibilities as a Community Space.

11/23CM GRAVE MAINTENANCE WORKING PARTY

Work to fill some sinking graves wasn't able to go ahead in the Autumn. David Dingle – Sexton –has been approached to take on this work, supervised by Cllr Matthews, to carry out this work. This will make graves safe – and hopefully identify other issues like moving headstones, which can be rectified.

NEW CREMATION AREA IN CEMETERY

12/23CM The new area, on the right-handside of the entrance gate as you go in, has been marked out and first ashes have been laid.

13/22CM GATE DAMAGE.

The bottom hanging on the new entrance gate has been damaged – possibly by reversing and unaware. Cllr Matthews will ask Cllr Laity to help and repair.

14/23CM FINANCE

Cemetery Fees received for burials.

15/23CM OTHER CEMETERY BUSINESS

- 1. Dog mess has been found at the bottom of the cemetery. Dogs are being allowed to wander through the area unchecked. Will enforce 'No Dogs'and erect signs.
- 2. Thanks to David Dingle and Mary Symons for removing Christmas memorials.

NEXT MEETING

June 2023 – *meeting at Cemetery* Clerk to contact members .