MUCH HADHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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The next meeting of the Burial Authority will be held on Tuesday, 5 July 2016, following the closure of the Planning Committee meeting in the Much Hadham Village Hall.

John Ingham Clerk of the Council

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence.
- 2. Minutes of the last meeting held on 3 May 2016.
- 3. Matters arising.
- 4. Maintenance of Burial Ground.
- 5. Future of Burial Land.
- 6. Payment of accounts.
- 7. Urgent business.
- 8. Confirmation of date of next meeting Tuesday, 6 September 2016, in the Much Hadham Village Hall.

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MINUTES of the Much Hadham Burial Authority held on Tuesday, 5 July 2016, following the closure of the Parish Council meeting.

Cllr William Compton

*Cllr I Hunt

*Cllr Mrs J Liversage

*Cllr Blaise Morris

*Cllr Bill O'Neill

*Cllr Marianne O'Neill

*Cllr Mrs P Taylor

*Clive Thompson

*Cllr Ken Twort

In attendance: no members of the public.

1. <u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u>

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr William Compton.

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEEETING

RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting held on 3 May 2016 be accepted as a correct record of the proceedings and be signed by the Chairman.

3. MATTERS ARISING

(i) Future of Burial Land

Members reaffirmed their intention to formulate a plan to encompass proposals for extending the present burial land as referred to in the previous minutes. Cllr Morris confirmed that he would undertake the work necessary in producing the plan and he would report back to the next meeting.

4. MAINTENANCE OF BURIAL GROUND

(i) State of the Burial Ground

Cllr Morris reported that he thought the burial ground was not in a good state and was concerned at the safe condition of many of the headstones. It was agreed that Cllr Liversage and/or Cllr Morris and the Clerk would contact the BSTC (Bishop's Stortford Town Council) to see if their Burial Authority had any advice on how to go about contacting relatives.

It was also felt that the metal railings required re-decorating or cleaning and the Oak Tree may need some trimming.

^{*} denotes present.

5. <u>FUTURE OF THE BURIAL GROUND</u>

It was agreed that Cllrs Morris and Liversage should contact the farmer of the land, in order to draw up a timetable for the handing over of the land required for the extension of the Burial Ground.

it was suggested that a programme of maintenance work be prepared for health & safety of the headstones, and care of the fencing, hedging and trees.

6. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS None.

7. <u>URGENT BUSINESS</u>

None.

7. <u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u>

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday,6th September 2016.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.55 pm