

Wingerworth Parish Council

Churchyard Committee

Meeting of Monday 20 February 2017 at 6pm at the Church

Present: Rev Jonathan Poston (Chair), Janet Magson, Cllr Cecilia Harper, Cllr Nick Knyhynycky and Andy Harrop with Mike Taylor (Secretary)

1. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Chris Hutchings, James Brownlee, Carol Austin and Cllr Pat Antcliff,

2. The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 24 October 2016 were noted.

3. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Maintenance

The Secretary outlined possible changes to the maintenance arrangements in the event that Mr Watts was unavailable to undertake the work as with his unfortunate spell of ill health in 2016 or for any other reason. Any new arrangements would again involve the use of an external contractor in which case it may be that the PCC would manage the contract.

The Secretary also queried whether in such circumstances the trade refuse collection service could be curtailed but it was felt that this was still necessary although perhaps with a smaller container at a reduced cost.

5. Date of next meeting – agreed as Monday 26 June 2017 (which was a change from the date originally scheduled) – again at the Church, meeting at 6pm for the annual inspection of the Churchyard.

6. Any other business

Concerns were expressed about the amount of litter (including empty bottles and cans) that were discarded often from cars and also the speed of some cars across the car park. There were also concerns about the amount of irresponsible parking by cars associated with the nearby school which was damaging grassed areas and endangering safety by blocking the route up to the Church Centre.

The meeting ended at 6.35pm