

Wingerworth Parish Council

Churchyard Committee

Meeting of Monday 13 November 2017 at 6pm at the Church

Present: Cllr Chris Hutchings (Chair), James Brownlee, Cllr Cecilia Harper, Cllr Nick Knyhynycky, Cllr Pat Antcliff, Rev Jonathan Poston and Andy Harrop with Charlotte Taylor (Secretary)

1. There were no apologies for absence.
2. The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 20 February 2017 were noted.
3. Matters Arising

It was confirmed that the first weed spraying had been completed.

4. Maintenance

There was a query regarding some of the newer grave stones which have been laid flat, it was confirmed that it is the responsibility of the families to maintain grave stones, and the churches responsibility to ensure they are safe. The church contact families when a stone becomes unsafe, if they are known, otherwise they are laid down.

The committee reported on the state of the lychgate roof, advising that it was safe as previously reported.

It was reported that the new bench had been installed and blessed on Saturday for Armistice Day.

5. Date of next meeting – agreed as Monday 26 February 2018 at 6:00pm at the Church.
6. Any other business

It was reported that the gravedigger had been putting topsoil in the churchyard, this was levelled several years ago to ensure safety and allow maintenance of the area. It was agreed that the Rev Jonathan Poston would speak to the funeral directors next time a funeral is booked regarding this issue.

The meeting ended at 6.12 pm