Peterston-super-Ely Community Council Cyngor Cymuned a Llanbedr-y-Fro

Minutes of the Churchyard Committee Meeting held at 7:30am on Wednesday, 18th August, 2021, remotely on Zoom

Present: Cllrs D Moody-Jones and K Hurley **Also Present:** Tor Trundle (Clerk to the Council)

Apologies Cllr D Jacques

1. Apologies

Cllr Jacques had passed his apologies to the Clerk, prior to the meeting.

2. Election of Chairperson for the Churchyard Committee.

As there was only two Cllrs present, the election of Chair, it was decided to leave the election until a future meeting.

3. Agreement on frequency of committee meetings.

It was agreed that meetings would be held in January and July of each year, unless there was any requirement to hold any further meetings.

3. Consideration of fees and terms and conditions

Discussions were held over the current charges were set by the Community Council and it was agreed that as fees have been increased in 2019, there was no need to increase at the current time. It was felt that point 7 in the terms and conditions needed amending - 7. All bodies for burial are to be contained within a sealed wooden coffin. The coffin must display a permanent plaque showing the name of the buried person. It was agreed that this would be amended to: 7. All bodies for burial are to be contained within a sealed wooden or bio-degradable coffin. The coffin must display a permanent plaque showing the name of the buried person.

4. Consider maintenance of churchyard and current cutting schedule.

Cllr Moody Jones had previously circulated a plan which highlighted possible areas that could be left to grow wild in the churchyard. This area was to the left side of the church under the trees. It was also suggested that hay be laid on the grass and snowdrops planted. As Cllr Moody Jones was also a member of the Church Committee, he would ensure that this proposal was placed before this body for agreement prior to any changes being implemented.

Action – Cllr Moody-Jones to raise the possible change n cutting of one area of the churchyard with the Church Committee.

5. Consider state of churchyard memorials and any risk assessment requirements. Following a discussion, it was agreed that the Clerk would contact companies who offered independent site inspections of gravestones to determine if any required attention. The clerk would also undertake a risk assessment on the churchyard.

There was no other	business the meeting closed at 20:05	
Chair		