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Minutes the Meeting of the Cemetery Committee of Fulford Parish Council at 13:00 on 13 March 2024 in The Old Library, Fulford Social Hall, School Lane, Fulford, York.

Present: Cllr. Simon Marsh; Cllr. Mary Urmston; Stuart McCabe (Cemetery Superintendent); Pauline Stuchfield (Director of Customers & Communities, City of York Council); Kate Haigh (Bereavement Services, City of York Council); Dawn Shaw (Accountant, City of York Council) and the Clerk.

23228. Election of the Chair of the Cemetery Committee.

Cllr. Urmston nominated Cllr. Marsh for the position of Chair of the Committee and her nomination was seconded by Mr McCabe. It was **RESOLVED** to elect Cllr. Marsh as Chair of the Cemetery Committee

23229. To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr. Kate Ravilious due to a prior commitment and her reasons for absence were approved.

23230. To receive any declarations of interest.

There were no interests declared.

23231. To receive and approve the Minutes of the Meeting of the Cemetery Committee held on 29 March 2023.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of the Cemetery Committee held on 29 March 2023 as a true record.

23232. To consider 2024/2025 Cemetery Fees and decide on any necessary action. It was RESOLVED to increase the Cemetery Fees by 5% increase in 2024/2025.

23233. To consider 2024/2025 Draft Budget and decide on any necessary action.

Dawn Shaw reported that insurance costs were likely to see a significant increase in 2024/2025 and the Clerk agreed to obtain quotes prior to usual pre-renewal quotes. It was noted that there was little room for manoeuvre in the expenditure and it was therefore **RESOLVED** to approve funding of the purchase of a replacement tractor from the Cemetery Development Fund following receipt of two additional quotes to the one already received in the sum of £11,795 plus VAT.

It was **RESOLVED** to set the Budget for 2024/2025 as drafted subject to any increase in insurance costs once further quotes are received.

23234. To consider items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting. No items were proposed.

23235. To confirm the date and time of the next meeting.

It was **RESOLVED** to arrange the date and time of the next meeting for February/March 2025 unless any matters arise in the meantime.

Signed, Chair of the Cemetery Committee