

Yeovil Crematorium & Cemetery Committee



Minutes of the meeting of Yeovil Crematorium and Cemetery Committee held on Wednesday 13th October 2021 at 6:00pm held by video-conferencing using Zoom meeting software.

Present:

Tony Lock Yeovil Town Council
Graham Oakes South Somerset District Council
Colin Rose Yeovil Without Parish Council
Rob Stickland South Somerset District Council (Chair)

In Attendance:

Amanda Card Yeovil Town Council/Clerk to the Committee

There were no members of the press or public present.

Public Comment

6:00pm - the meeting commenced.

(1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs N Clarke; P Lock; M Lock.

Emily Wilce (Specialist Finance – South Somerset District Council) and John Ranger (Specialist - Bereavement Services).

Disappointment was expressed as to the lack of officers present.

RESOLVED: to accept the apologies

The Clerk to Committee informed the Committee that Cllr I Coton from Yeovil Without Parish Council had stepped down. The Clerk at Yeovil Without Parish Council will inform the Clerk to the Committee who would be the new representative following the parish meeting.

RESOLVED: to note the above.

(2) DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declarations made at this time.

RESOLVED: that the following would be an on-going declaration of interest:

Councillor	Reason	Interest
Cllr G Oakes Cllr R Stickland	Member of: South Somerset District Council Yeovil Town Council Yeovil Without Parish Council	Personal
Cllr T Lock	Member of: Somerset County Council South Somerset District Council Yeovil Town Council	Personal
Cllr C Rose	Member of: Yeovil Without Parish Council	Personal

(3) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the meeting of Yeovil Crematorium and Cemetery Committee held on 14th July 2021 be signed by the Chair as a correct record.

(4) CEMETERY AND CREMATORIUM BUDGET MONITORING 2021/22 (MONTH 1-6)

The Committee considered the report from the Finance Specialist regarding the Budget Monitoring report for 2021/22.

RESOLVED: to note the budget monitoring report for 2021/22.

(5) CEMETERY AND CREMATORIUM DRAFT BUDGET 2021/22

The Committee considered the report from the Finance Specialist regarding the Draft Budget for 2022/23.

The Committee felt that the provision of 2% for inflation was not sufficient and based on this felt that the budget was not robust. Therefore, they did not support the current draft budget.

RESOLVED: (1) to not support the current draft budget, based on the reasoning above; and (2) to submit to a special meeting, to be held on 8th December at 6pm, (subject to the Specialist Finance being available) a robust realistic budget.

(6) CREMATORIUM UPDATE

The Committee considered the report of the Crematorium Manager.

The Committee favoured the following logo:



The Committee questioned who would make the final decision.

Questions were raised as to when the Project Board would reconvene and also an update on the renovation was required.

RESOLVED: (1) to note the preferred logo; (2) to direct questions regarding who will make the final decision on the logo and when the Project Board would reconvene to the Crematorium Manager; and (3) to request that an update on the renovation be on a future agenda of this Committee.

(7) CEMETERY UPDATE

The Committee considered the report from the Operational Section Lead Cemetery about the update of the Cemetery.

RESOLVED: to note the report.

(8) JOINT GRAVES

The Committee considered the report regarding joint graves

RESOLVED: that the Committee support the joint graves as proposed within the report.

(9) UPDATE ON FIVEWAYS LAND

The Clerk to the Committee updated the Committee to the response from Earth Science Partnership to the questions asked previously by the Committee. The Committee still

awaited the response of the Commercial Property, Land and Development Manager regarding the report of Earth Science Partnership.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk to the Committee chase the response from the Commercial Property, Land and Development Manager regarding the report of Earth Science Partnership

(10) DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

In addition to the Special Meeting referred to in item (5), that the following days be set

- RESOLVED:** 12th January 2022 (previously agreed)
 13th April 2022 (Subject to purdah and elections)
 13th July 2022
 12th October 2022

6:38pm – the meeting closed.

Signed: (Chair)

Date: