Brandon Town Council New Cemetery Committee Meeting Thursday 6th June 2024

6 TO DISCUSS THE PROGRESS OF THE NEW CEMETERY

Cllr Lukaniuk brought all the other Councillors up to date regarding the history of the progress of the new cemetery. All the Councillors were concerned about increased costs, some of which are due to new legislation. Various suggestions were made about how we could still proceed without it being too expensive.

Mrs Prior gave an update of current potential future costs which we had received from Evolution Town Planning, which includes, an archaeological dig and costings to raise the ground to the necessary levels across the site. Cllr Palmer raised concerns about what would happen if something were found during the archaeological dig.

There were various discussions about the best way to proceed so that Brandon can still acquire a new cemetery without it costing too much money. Cllr Lukaniuk suggested that we adopt and start work on the area that is nearest the road as that can accommodate a large number of plots, without the need to develop the whole site.

There were also discussions about the benefits of the turning point for funeral vehicles and the entrance and gateway. Further discussions about ways to save money on the development of the new cemetery took place and the general feeling was that if we no longer included a toilet or workshop and developed in stages without completing the road and turning circle, considerable savings could be made. However, it was felt that consideration should be given to the car park and a swept bend for the 'official' vehicles to turn. There was a further discussion about only getting planning permission for quarter of the field, under the new proposals.

After further discussions, it was decided to contact Evolution Town Planning to arrange a meeting with them to discuss and question the progress and possibilities regarding the development of the new cemetery.

7 CORRESPONDENCE

None.

8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS – AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN None.

The meeting closed at 3.30pm

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