

Rothbury Joint Burial Committee

Sub-Committee Meeting held 8/6/10 at Cemetery

Those Present: Cllr A D Sandford - Chairman
 Cllr J Gasken - Brinkburn & Hesleyhurst P.C.
 Cllr D Gutherson - Thropton P.C.
 A Gaskell - Cemetery Superintendent

1. Purchase of new mower

It was agreed the committee could not afford to purchase a new mower this financial year. The old mower would continue to be used (now in its fourth year) and the committee had recently received a bill for servicing amounting to nearly £1,000 - due mainly to contaminated fuel. It was further agreed to look next April 2011 to purchase a "Huskavaner" machine from Robson & Cowan and maybe pay monthly over 12-24 months, or approach Rothbury Parish Council for an interest free loan which had been done previously.

2. Insurance Review

Yearly premium has now reached £1529, and maybe it is time to see if committee are over-insured. Volunteer required to carry this task out.

3. Rabbit Control

Alistair to remind firm they should make another visit and Alistair to step up his own gun control.

4. Records Administration

Alistair is still to receive USB cartridge from Cllr. Monaghan and does need a different computer. He will contact Cllr. Reynolds.

5. New Prices

It was agreed to recommend to the full committee that charges be increased for ashes burial.

6. Extending Railings

It is now obvious there is not enough surplus funding to carry out this work in the foreseeable future. The only way to complete the work will be by grant funding - a volunteer would be very welcome.

7. Chairman' Plans

Cllr Sandford said he would be in place until December 2010 and his replacement would most likely be a Rothbury Parish Councillor, and those present felt this was both appropriate and practical.

8. New Plants

The Sub-Committee applauded the efforts of Cllr H Edes and the request in Bridges magazine for plants.

9. Work within village

It was agreed that in the present financial state, it would be sensible for Alistair to accept as much work as practicable from Rothbury Parish Council, at the same rate charged by their current gardeners.

A D Sandford, Chairman

ROTHBURY JOINT BURIAL COMMITTEE

YEAR ENDED 2010/11

FORECAST EXPENDITURE/INCOME

EXPENDITURE

Wages & NI	17250
Non Domestic Rates	200
Water & Sewage	300
Electricity	170
Insurance	1529
Telephone	260
Clerks Salary/Expenses	600
Petrol	200
Equipment Service	1300
Purchase of Equipment	100
Repairs to Lodge	600
Miscellaneous	350
Grave Digging	150
Audit	230
VAT	600
Treeworks	
	23839

INCOME

Fees & Charges	6500
Precept	15000
Rothbury PC	1000
VAT to reclaim	600
Balance B/F	1713
	24813