

Meeting of Skirlaugh & Ellerby Joint Burial Committee held on 24th July 2024

Present: Cllr. McDonald (in the chair), Cllrs. Johnston, Harrison, Navier (Skirlaugh), Howell (Ellerby).

Apologies for absence: Cllrs. Wilson, Rial.

1. The minutes of the meeting held on 28th February 2024, having previously been circulated, were taken as read and approved. There were no matters arising.

2. Burials

Three interments of cremated remains (Stevenson, West, Morgan). One burial in double plot (Capes).

3. Allotments

One new tenant has taken over an allotment. The previously unworked allotment is now in use. There are five people on the waiting list.

4. Burial Ground Maintenance

(a) Complaints are still being received about poor standard of grass cutting. This matter has been taken up with the contractor. The cut due on 31st May was not completed until 3rd June. Cllr. McDonald will take photos each week to monitor cutting. Some plots are being maintained by the families.

(b) The gravelled path from the main footpath to the gate and through the burial ground towards the allotments is becoming overgrown. Skirlaugh parish council will be asked about having the path gravelled, or an alternative type of surface considered.

5. Sanctioning of Paid Accounts

Receipts:

Burials	339.00
Headstones	380.00
Allotments	192.50
Share of waste bin rental	25.60
VAT refund	131.20

Expenses:

Scottish Water	33.09
Annual salaries	253.53
PAYE	63.20
ERYC, Waste bin rental	83.58
Tony Cook, Grass cutting April	158.40
Insurance	391.37
JS Accounting, audit	50.00
Tony Cook, grass cutting May, June	264.00

Bank balance in hand 30th June £8941.94

- **Resolved** that payment of these accounts is approved.

Banking Provider: clerk has looked at other providers.

- **Resolved** that a current account with internet banking is opened with Virgin Bank. The signatories to the account will be Cllrs. McDonald and Howell and the Clerk.

6. Date of Next Meeting

Prior to Skirlaugh parish council meeting in October 2024 at 7.00 pm in Skirlaugh Village Hall.