Minutes of Fremington Parish Council Burial Authority Held on Monday 6th February 2017 at 6.30pm at Fremington Parish Hall, Higher Road, Fremington

Present: Cllrs F Biederman (Chairman), D Brailey, R Cann, D Chalmers, Mrs J Dyson,

A Rennles Ms M Scott, B Sherborne and T Wood

Mrs V Woodhouse, Parish Clerk, Mrs E Badcock, Services Officer and

Mrs E Steer, Deputy Services Officer Mr John Gayton, Burial Superintendent

1702/01 Apologies

Cllrs Mrs S Kingdom, Mrs J Flynn and K Groves.

1702/02 Declarations of interest

None.

1702/03 To agree the agenda between Part A and Part B (Confidential)

It was resolved to agree the agenda between Part A and Part B (Confidential).

1702/04 To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 8th February 2016 as a correct record

Copies were circulated prior to the meeting.

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve and sign the minutes of the meeting on the 8th February 2016 as a correct record. Cllr Biederman duly signed the minutes.

1702/05 To consider Cemetery Charges for 2017/18

Members considered the charges for 2017/2018 and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to increase the charges by 2% for 2017/2018.

1702/06 To receive Mr John Gayton, Burial Superintendent

Mr Gayton stated that he was pleased with the new turning circle around the shed which has provided better access and increased parking. Mr Gayton explained that it would be between ten and fifteen years before the extension area would be used. Mr Gayton was pleased to see that the hedge was on the Agenda for consideration and agreed that it was time to replace the hedge. The Chairman thanked Mr Gayton for attending.

1702/07 To consider planting of hedge around Cemetery Extension

Members considered associated quotations for planting a hedge inside the stock fence around the perimeter of the extension to the Cemetery. It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to accept the quotation from Evergreen Services (Devon) Ltd which provides the most appropriate variety of hedging plants, which are also visually pleasing, and included Field Maple, Blackthorn, Beech and Hawthorn, for the lowest price. It was agreed to ask for Holly to be included in the planting.

1702/08 To consider removal and re-planting of Escallonia hedge in the existing Cemetery

Members were informed that the two Escallonia hedges which run either side of the pathway in the Cemetery have come to the end of their life span and are no longer alive. Quotations to remove the hedges and replant were considered and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to accept the quotation from Dave Budd Gardening Services and replant with Escallonia, which will have the lowest maintenance of the suggestions and visually pleasing.

1702/09 Close

There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.43pm.

Signed Si