MEETING OF THE FRIENDS OF ST PETER'S (FOSP) CHURCHYARD PROJECT GROUP

23rd February 2023

MINUTES

Attendees: Anne Bailey, Peter Barker, Diana Knight, Tim Hailstone.

On Zoom: Jenny Hailstone, David Holmes

Apologies: Annie Worsfold, Harriet Trubshaw

Update on Action Points.

Wildflower area

Strimming complete.

Shrubs

Shrubs alongside the path now cut back by contractor, greatly improving their appearance and uncovering several headstones. Cuttings now cleared by volunteers and taken to Loam Rangers

Brambles

Contractor engaged to cut brambles along east wall, starting 2 Mar. Volunteers required to clear debris.

Pathways

Alternative quote now requested, due this week. Quotes received to be reviewed by FOSP.

Mini meadows

Meeting to identify graves for mini-meadow development scheduled for 1 Mar.

Wildlife and Involving the School

The Forest School are considering how best to be involved. The making of bug hotels and bird boxes is a suggestion.

Water Tap Area

Outstanding.

Information for the Community and publicity

Website is now live; information will be added as required. The first eNewsletter has been published, generating some interest and a few volunteers. Updates on Facebook continue, and regular articles will be published in the Parish Magazine. An article has been submitted to Dartmouth Chronicle for Village Voice.

Signage being investigated. Proposal is for a noticeboard on the right of the path inside the main gate, and for smaller signs where work is in progress. A display board with information to be available in the church.

Flora/Fauna/Wildlife survey

Research continuing. Plans to carry out initial survey during May; volunteers will be required.

Finance

Contractors were used for pruning shrubs and strimming. £500 currently remains from initial allocation.

Next meeting

Thursday 23 March 3pm, Venue TBC