

**MINUTES AND REPORT OF THE MEETING OF  
GODALMING JOINT BURIAL COMMITTEE  
HELD ON 12 APRIL 2012**

*	Councillor Wilson – Chairman
*	Councillor A Bott – Vice Chairman
#	Councillor Thomson
*	Councillor Lister
*	Councillor Wheatley
*	Councillor Noyce
*	Councillor Long (Busbridge Parish Council)
0	Councillor Westwood (Busbridge Parish Council)

\* Present            # Absent & No Apology Received            0 Apology for Absence            L Late

75. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 12 January 2012, having been previously circulated, were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

76. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and approved.

77. DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

Members declared no Personal or Prejudicial Interest in relation to any item on the agenda for this meeting, which are required to be disclosed by the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2007 No.1159.

78. ACCOUNTS PAID SINCE LAST MEETING

The Finance Officer reported payments totalling £13,814.59 since the last meeting.

Cash balances held at

	£
Current Account	11,714.22
Business Premium Account	107,976.35

A schedule of the accounts paid was tabled for the information of Members. The vouchers relating to these payments were also be tabled at the meeting for inspection. All payments made were in line with the agreed budget or other resolution of this Committee or Full Council.

Members agreed that the Chairman should sign the schedule of accounts paid.

79. BURIAL STATISTICS

The Committee noted the burial statistics for the previous quarter and for the previous twelve months ended the 31 March 2012, which had previously been circulated (copy attached to record minutes).

80. TOILET FACILITIES AT EASHING & NIGHTINGALE CEMETERIES

Members agreed to formalise the arrangement whereby toilet facilities at St Marks Community Centre would be made available for all funerals at Eashing Cemetery by paying a service charge of £500 to St Marks Church for 2012/13. Members noted that this provision would be for the days that funerals were booked into the cemetery and was not a long-term solution, as it did not provide for welfare facilities for grounds staff.

81. RESTORATION OF EASHING CHAPEL (CONSECRATED) AND PROVISION OF WELFARE FACILITIES

Members considered a schedule of works proposed for the restoration of Eashing Cemetery's consecrated chapel and associated ante-rooms and for the provision of permanent welfare facilities for staff and visitors. Members agreed the proposed schedule of works and agreed to instruct surveyors to obtain competitive quotes for the work.

82. NIGHTINGALE RAILINGS

Members were informed that thanks to recent warm dry weather the re-painting of the railings at Nightingale Cemetery was completed allowing additional works to prepare the cemetery for the Memorial Service in honour of Jack Phillips and his family to be held on the 15 April 2012 (the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the loss of RMS Titanic). However, a number of unexpected issues arose, including paint not drying because parts of the railings were coated with bitumen (possibly caused when the pavements were re-laid). Additionally, the painters were instructed to paint some areas by hand to prevent the possibility of over-spray affecting sensitive areas including the Phillips family grave. These additional works incurred an extra cost - in total the cost of painting the railings was £4,966.17.

83. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Godalming Joint Burial Committee is scheduled to take place at 5.00 pm at Nightingale Cemetery and thereafter in the Council Chamber on Thursday, 28 June 2012.

84. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE GODALMING JOINT BURIAL COMMITTEE