Item 9 - Cemetery report

In November there was:

- 1 interment
- 2 memorial permits issued
- 1 Memorial Mason registration

Monthly receipts for November totalled £644

The tarmacking of the area to the front of the Chapel and the driveway leading up to the parking area will be completed in early December.

During the gales on the 26th and 27th of November a tree from Hagg Wood fell into the Cemetery, Forestry England have dismantled the windblown tree and Andrew Banks who was in attendance confirmed that they would arrange for the repair of the section of wall which was damaged. No headstones were damaged.

Council to consider quotes for levelling of the quarry area to level spoils in cemetery quarry area and supply plus install a replacement single post in the woodland burial area - works value £190 no VAT.

A row of Scots pines on the right-hand banking in the Cemetery fell in to Hagg Wood during the gales.

Two quotes have been obtained for the dismantling and removal of all wood and arisings, both contractors confirmed that they are able to supply the necessary paperwork required for Forest England to issue the required 'work order' permitting them to carry out work within Hagg Wood. A quote has been obtained for the necessary stone wall repairs to make good the damage caused by the fallen trees in this area.

With regards to the 'Plant a tree for the Jubilee' discussed at the finance meeting the Cemetery Officer has obtained quotes for a tree guard and a copper beech tree which would need to be planted in March as the tree will be in stock at a nearby nursery in February. It should be noted that with regards to the tree guard a price increase is imminent due to the rising costs of raw materials. Could Council consider allowing the tree to be planted in March.

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