TOWN HALL AND CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of Market Deeping Town Council's Town Hall and Cemetery Committee held on Wednesday 15 July 2026 at 6.15pm at Market Deeping Cemetery, Market Deeping. Cllr Paul Hanson presided over Cllr Bob Broughton, Cllr Mrs Jones and Cllr Mrs Sked. The Deputy Clerk and Assistant Clerk was also in attendance.

14. Chair's Welcome
Cllr Hanson welcomed members to the meeting at 6.15pm.

15. Apologies for absence
There were no apologies for absence.

16. To receive declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011
There were no declarations of interest.

17. Minutes from the meeting held on Wednesday 20 May 2026
It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of Wednesday 20 May 2026 as a true and accurate record. The Chair signed the minutes.

18. Clerk's report
The Deputy Clerk informed the members of the following:

Cemetery

- Since the last meeting on 20 May 2026 there had been 9 scatterings of ashes and 5 interments of cremated remains.
- The cemetery fees for 2026/27 are on the website.
- The new cemetery gate is scheduled to be installed on Thursday 30 July. A deposit of 25% had been paid to the contractor.

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- The curtain rods have now been fitted to the new curtains.

19. Update on work activity taking place in the cemeteries (old & new)

	Committee Comments
Reported that an unauthorised stone had been placed on a burial plot and is not in keeping with the council's policy. Members to consider if contact should be made with the family. (Deferred from the last meeting so members could visually see the stone).	The Committee **RESOLVED** unanimously that due to the burial being recent that no action will be taken at this time, but it will be monitored.
Cemetery maintenance is up to date.	The Committee commented how lovely the cemetery was looking.
Park-keeper received a request from a resident who would like to install a bench on the Spinney path as you enter from the Paddock. Members to consider this request.	The Committee considered the request and it was **RESOLVED** unanimously to allow the resident to purchase a bench for the Spinney path.
Park-keeper/cemetery keeper wished to make the committee aware that there are a few graves that have additional flowers and memorabilia.	The Committee considered and at this time no action is required, if it increases this will be considered again.

20. Correspondence received up to 15 July 2026

There was no correspondence.

21. Finances: Omega reports: Review of budget/expenditure/income
The Deputy Clerk had presented a copy of the Omega report to all members prior to the meeting. Cllr Hanson asked

if there were any questions and there were none.

22. For members to consider and discuss any points raised in the Open Session
There were no items discuss.

23. To consider items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting of the Town Hall and Cemetery Committee
There are no agenda items at this time.

Cllr Hanson thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 6.25pm. The next date for the Town Hall and Cemetery Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 2nd September at the Town Hall.

Chair's signature……

Date…….....