

## Notes from the Churchyard Liaison Committee March 13<sup>th</sup> 2019

Present: Parish Council Tom Burnham Margaret Ashby

PCC

Val Wallis

VW updated the members on the request for a WW1 memorial Bench. The PCC were dealing with this and the applicant had been given the forms to apply for a Faculty. This is the Church of England legal requirement for installing items in the Churchyard.

The Signage indicating there were Commonwealth War Graves in All Saints' had now been approved by the Archdeacon and would be put inside the notice Board at the front of the Church. This hopefully will be done soon.

The proposed budget had been agreed by the Parish Council.

It was agreed that the recommendation by Forestry First for maintenance work to the inner hedge on the Southeast side of the Churchyard should be carried out and the costs could be covered in this year's budget. The boundary hedge would be done in the 2019/2020 budget.

The committee were very impressed with the general neatness of the Churchyard. There was some tidying up to be done on the South Boundary and some strimming back around some bushes. It was felt this could be done with using the pay back workers and Church working parties.

The new area was looking extremely neat thanks to the work of both Graham Smith and Terry Standen. There were some fence panels belonging to a neighboring property that had blown over in the high winds. It was also noted that there was planting on graves in this area contravening Maidstone Borough Council Planning conditions and this would be brought to the attention of the PCC.

Val Wallis 14/03/2019