

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CEMETERY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT WELLS TOWN HALL ON
WEDNESDAY 22nd APRIL 2009**

PRESENT: Cllr T Robbins (Chairman)
Cllr Borastero

IN ATTENDANCE: The Town Clerk's Assistant and The Superintendent

09/005CM APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The apologies tendered by Cllr J Nicholas were noted. Cllrs D Anderson, T Butt Philip, L Byrne, S Davies and J Osman did not attend. The Meeting was not quorate.

The Chairman expressed his disappointment at the lack of support from members of the Committee.

09/006CM MINUTES OF MEETING held on 28th January 2009 were noted.

09/007CM FINANCIAL REPORT

The Superintendent was pleased to report an increase in income for the financial year ending March 2009 and referred in particular to the extra money raised from use of the chapel. The main increase in expenditure lay chiefly with increased fuel costs but overall the Cemetery was running well within budget. The accounts would be ready for audit by the end of the month

Mr Luck reported that he had received a letter from Mendip District Council with the proposed option of paying the newly increased rates over the period of two years. Members agreed that they would prefer to pay the increase off this year.

09/008CM SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Superintendent submitted his report which was noted. Mr Luck informed the committee that the SLCC Training course had been useful and was pleased to report that many of the working procedures recommended on the course were already in place. However a policy and procedure for the Grants of Rights certificates needed to be adopted and the Superintendent would bring back to the Committee recommendations.

Mr Luck reported that he was pleased with the new machinery purchased and the repairs to the old were holding up. However in order to be more cost effective the Superintendent strongly recommended that in future the machinery should be part exchanged on a two yearly cycle.

Mr Luck reported that he now had access to two additional contractors should the need arise but this would not affect the existing wage budget.

Repairs to headstones was still a work in progress

