

Cemetery Working Group Report 25 September 2025

Report compiled by Peter Richardson 18 September 2025.

Mike Weston and I met with the Contractors on site at the Cemetery at 08.00 on Monday the 18th August to finalise the plans for the extension to existing pathways and plinths and to discuss the layout of the new pathways and plinths.



Mike continued to monitor progress at the site for the remainder of the build and requested that the Clerk extend the closure of the cemetery by one week, to publish this on the website, to print, laminate and send new closure notices to be posted onsite. This was to allow for over running works due to the weather. The works finished on Friday 12th September.



On Saturday 13th September at 11.00 we met on site again to conduct a final inspection of the completed works and agreed the work had been completed to a good standard.

At one point in the closure, a family asked for access to the cemetery for a remembrance service on the one year anniversary of the internment of a family member and this was facilitated with the contractor offsite to allow for privacy.

The site has now been cleared; grass seed has been reseeded where required and all works levelled. The closure notices were removed during the final inspection and the cemetery re-opened to the public.

I would like to propose that we now pay the contractors for the work that has been completed to a good standard.

We need to break ground on the proposed new car park or we could lose the planning approval already granted. This will include finding a quantity surveyor, developing a scheme of works for the car park and adjoining ground. Identifying contractors to quote for the car park construction, opening up the enclosed land to bring in landscaping services. We will also need further planning permission for gated access to the car park.

We are also looking for another Councillor to join the working group who is prepared to be quite active and involved in the group with all of the upcoming projects.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter A. Richardson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a clear first name and a last name starting with a capital 'R'.

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18 September 2025