PARKS AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE

31st January 2023

CEMETERY SIGNAGE

Members are asked to consider if an additional sign should be installed at both entrances to the cemetery due to the ongoing issue of inappropriate items being left on graves and memorials.

The Senior Finance Officer has written and reminded several plot owners where issues have been identified and another round of notifications will be sent in February 2023 when seasonal tributes have been removed.

Suggested sign wording is attached for members to consider. It highlights the restrictions set out in the cemetery booklet, which is now on the website and provided to plot owners at time of purchase and time of burial.

Although this is a sensitive issue, it may be that wording has to be firm to ensure all plots are presented to the same standard as the visitors to neighbouring plots would expect.

The cost of two signs will be about £50 including installation.

Jonathan Parsons – Town Clerk

WOODLANDS CEMETERY PLASTIC FREE CEMETERY

All visitors are asked to observe the following regulations. For a full copy of the Cemetery Booklet please call Ivybridge Town Council on 01752 893815 or visit www.ivybridge.gov.uk/woodlandscemetery

Please:

Fresh flowers and wreaths only
No ornaments, plastic flowers, plastic bases or oasis, glass, chippings or clothing
No additional flower containers other than within permitted memorials
All seasonal wreaths will be removed after 31st January each year

Any items not adhering to regulations will be removed

Please take waste home or use bins provided for general or compostable waste

Ivybridge Town Council is implementing the above to ensure the Cemetery is kept tidy and safe for visitors, grass is maintained to a high standard and to protect the environment and wildlife.

Thank you in anticipation of your co-operation.