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P PLOT LAWN CEMETERY

PLOT PPB1- PPB15, PA1 - PA12D REMOVAL BY 11-06-2018, KEPT TO 09-07-2018

PLOT PB13 - PB26B, PC27 – PC43 REMOVAL BY 18-06-2018, KEPT TO 16-07-2018

PLOT PD44-PD56B, PE57- PE72A, REMOVAL BY 25-06-2018, KEPT TO 23-07-2018

PLOT PF73- PF89A, PG90- PG106A, REMOVAL BY 02-07-2018, KEPT TO 30-07-2018

PLOT PH107 – PI134, REMOVAL BY 09-07-2018, KEPT TO 06-08-2018

PLOT PI135 – PJ162, REMOVAL BY 16-07-2018, KEPT TO 13-08-2018

PLOT PK163 – PK181 ITEMS REMOVED BY 23-07-2018, KEPT TO 20-08-2018

Thetford Town Council staff work hard to maintain the cemetery on London Road as a place of peace and remembrance for the enjoyment of all. The purpose of lawn cemeteries is to provide tranquil surroundings for its occupants and their families. Some parts of the cemetery are designated as lawn cemeteries (Plots N and P in the older part of the cemetery and plots R, W and X in the cemetery extension) meaning that all graves within these sections are to be grassed with no ornamental items being placed on the grassed areas in front of the main memorial. Over a number of years we have had an increase of personal items left on graves, causing parts of the cemetery to become cluttered and unkempt.

In order for Thetford Town Council to manage and maintain the cemetery, we respectfully request that any such items be removed from the grassed areas by the deed of grant holder. These items may include, but are not limited to vases, kerb sets, statues, stones, shrubs, plants, ornaments and personal items. Where possible these items may be placed on the foundation stone on which the headstone stands, providing they do not overhang the stone and impede maintenance. Please note that any items that have not been removed by the published date will be removed from the cemetery by the Town Council and the space directly in front of the memorial will be returned to lawn. Any items removed will be stored for a period of 28 days after which they will be disposed of.

While the council recognise the sensitivity of this request it has become necessary due to the growing range of personal items that have appeared over time and the impact it is having on both the aesthetics of the cemetery and the maintenance time required to individually mow around specific plots.

Please find below detail of what is and is not allowed on our lawn cemetery plots to avoid confusion. This information is also displayed prominently around the cemetery



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and it forms part of our rules and regulations which are issued when deed of grants are purchased.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter. Should you have any further questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact the council on 01842 754247, or by email on mail@thetfordtowncouncil.gov.uk or by post to King's House, King Street, Thetford, IP24 2AT.

Tina Cunnell
Town Clerk
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