## **Pentir Community Council**

## Rules and Regulations Concerning the Pentir Cemetery

- 1. Notice of burial must be given to the Clerk or Sub-committee at least two clear days (not counting Sundays) before the funeral.
- 2. Burial will not be allowed unless the appropriate certificate has been given to the Clerk before the day of the funeral.
- 3. Where a Medical Certificate is produced indicating immediate burial the Council may act in accordance with such instructions by exception to Rule 1 and 2.
- 4. The gates of both cemetery will be permanently locked and permission must be sought for entry.
- 5. Grave spaces will normally be 8' x 4' x 7'9" deep to allow not more than three internments. Where one or two internments only are required the depth may be less but at least 2'6" of soil must be measurable between the ground's surface and the top coffin.
- 6. Damage to paths and land must not be caused by the bringing of implements, tools etc. into the cemetery. All such implements must be removed after burial. The use of lawn mowers or other machinery by families or visitors within the cemetery is forbidden.
- 7. All rubble, soil or stones remaining after work must be removed immediately by those responsible for such work and any damage done must be repaired by those responsible.
- 8. Before permission is given for the placing of a headstone in the cemetery, the person responsible for the work must submit a diagram of the proposed stone to the Clerk or Subcommittee. Memorials must not be more than 3'wide and 4'high. Headstones must be placed on a secure base of stone, concrete or slate and secured with steel rods. Kerbings are not allowed around the graves. The appropriate fee must be paid when submitting the drawings.
- 9. Plots for cremated remains are located at both cemeteries. The headstone in these plots must not exceed 3' foot in height and 2' foot in width.
- 10. Funeral directors will be responsible for the opening and closing of graves and be responsible for the employment and safety of their workers. Adjacent graves must be suitably protected when new graves are opened.
- 11. Funeral directors must at all times securely cover unattended 'opened graves'.
- 12. Funeral directors will be responsible for all brickwork and coverings for the graves. Cement must be used for all brickwork. Loose bricks will not be allowed under any circumstances. Covering slabs must be either reinforced concrete or slate.
- 13. Graves and headstones must be kept in good order by the owners. Should a grave be damaged by the collapse of a gravestone, the owner of the gravestone must take responsibility for the damage.
- 14. Families are expected to keep graves tidy thus assisting the Council in keeping the cemetery in good order.
- 15. Visitors are expected to behave in a proper and appropriate manner giving due respect and consideration and disposing of any rubbish in the bins provided.
- 16. The family will be responsible for the removal and reinstatement of a headstone before and after the second or third opening.
- 17. Placing objects on graves that may impact on the health, safety or welfare of others is restricted. Guidance may be sought from the Council Clerk or responsible officer"
- 18. The bereaved family will be responsible for making arrangements with a clergy or ministers to officiate at the funeral and for their payments,
- 19. The Council will not be responsible for damage to headstones for any reason.
- 20. The Council as appropriate reserves the right to change these rules from time to time.

These regulations were adopted at a meeting of the Council on 15/09/2016 and are effective from this date.