

Embleton Joint Burial Committee

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Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Embleton Joint Burial Committee held on Thursday 23rd April 2026, 4:00pm at the Ladies Room, Creighton Hall, Embleton

Present:

Councillors, Terry Howells (chair), Ann Fettis, Derek Gerrard, Derek Moss, John Roper

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Karen Greenhoff

2. Declaration of Interests.

No declarations of interest were made.

3. Cemetery Maintenance Contract

The Committee considered the grounds maintenance contract and agreed that the contractor's rates be increased by 8%. It was further agreed to explore alternative approaches to future maintenance, including the potential use of robotic mowing equipment, and to arrange a demonstration.

4. Exclusion of Press and Public

It was RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the confidential and commercially sensitive nature of the business.

5. Gateway Cottage Management (Confidential Item)

The Committee considered current and alternative management arrangements for Gateway Cottage.

It was RESOLVED that Hotspur Residential be appointed to provide a fully managed letting service, subject to confirmation of terms. The Clerk was instructed to confirm notice period arrangements with the current managing agent and clarify outstanding matters relating to the property.