St Lawrence Church Stretton Grandison

As notified in public notices, during July Topple Testing of gravestones has been carried out in the churchyard. Topple testing of gravestones is a safety measure to assess the stability of memorials in the churchyards. It involves applying pressure to the headstone to check if it is securely fixed and unlikely to fall over. If a gravestone fails the topple test, it is deemed unsafe and is laid flat.

Unfortunately, a number of memorials in our churchyard have failed this safety test and have been laid flat. The following is a list of all that are affected. Please can those who have responsibility for the memorials make arrangements for them to be safely fixed into position again. If needed, local stonemasons or builders may be able to assist. If you require any additional information please contact Rev Mandy Williams (Rector) – mandy.williams@hopchurches.org.uk or Jenneke Bryant (Churchwarden) – jennekebryant@gmail.com

James Taylor 1895 Steven Pitt 1900

Archibald Downes 1975

Alice Emily 1908

William Francis Pudge 1957

Edith Mary Cheshire 1980, James Cheshire 1988

William Booton 1978, Ivy Booton 2002

Gladys 1938

Robert Styles 1958

Catherine Hayward 1952 William Hayward 1967

Edgar Stainer 1964, Jessie Stainer 1982

Anne Baker 1974

Emily Taylor 1973

Percy Pullen 1970 Gladys Pullen 1996

Louise Bevan 1965, George Bevan 1991

William Brazier 1982, Betty Brazier 1989

Clifford Prosser 1980, Mildred Prosser 1990

Albert Taylor 1980, Ella Taylor 1988

Edith Dandy 1978

Linda Jones 2002, Leonard Jones 2008 (Statues)

John Davies 1992, Monica Davies 2016

Richard Hall 1993

Richard Styles 2005, Harriet Styles 2007

Michael Parry 2014