CHURCH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN

COWLEY

CHURCHYARD

The following are entitled to be buried in the churchyard: persons who live in the Parish, persons who are on the Parish roll and persons who die in the Parish. Other persons may be buried in the churchyard only with the approval of the vicar and PCC.
2 Grave allocation. A decision has to be made as to whether the PCC decides on grave plot allocation or whether the family of the deceased can choose the plot.
Proposed grave diggers instructions. See attached.
4 Headstone approval. A decision has to be made as to whether the PCC is to approve the design, type of stone and lettering on the headstone or whether it can be left to the deceased's family and the monumental masons.
Churchyard plan. The plan which is an approximation and not to scale is the only record of the present graves. A decision has to be made as to who holds the plan and who keeps it up to date. Whoever that person is must be kept informed of all new graves.
6 Churchyard maintenance and grass cutting. Since, hopefully shortly, all the rubbish, old grass cuttings, old christmas trees and so on are to be removed from the churchyard, arrangements should be made for the collection and removal in future of grass cuttings and rubbish.
7 Grass cutting and churchyard maintenance generally.

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