Agenda Item: 13

Community, Leisure & Recreation Committee

Date: 24 October 2017

Title: Priest End Allotments to Burial Space

Contact Officer: Graham Hunt, Town Clerk

Janine Howells, Asset Manager

Purpose of this Report

1. To provide a verbal / written update on the plans to convert Priest End Allotments to Burial Space.

Update

- 2. Identified s106 monies of around £26,000 relate to various developments around Thame (The Elms (£3,341), Site F (£18,335 on 75th occupation), Thame Service Station (£1,806) and Angus House (£2630.33 received by SODC)). SODC has been informed that the Town Council is forward spending these s106 funds.
- 3. Landscape works to the site have been undertaken at a cost of £990, but still within the available s106 monies. To date a total of £11,560.70 has been spent on the scheme.
- 4. The formal archaeological report from TVAS has been received and has been submitted to SODC with the application to discharge Condition 4 of the planning permission. SODC have a target decision date of 24 October. **Stop press:** The condition was discharged on 17 October 2017.
- 5. The Council's solicitor and the Diocese solicitor have both been informed of the discharge of Condition 3 of the planning permission and have been instructed by the Town Clerk to prepare all required documents for transfer. The resolution of 26 July 2016 is sufficient to confirm their sealing once ready. Stop press: The Town Council's solicitor has confirmed that the transfer documents will be ready for sealing in the next few days.
- 6. The church now expects to consecrate the land prior to the Bishop going on Sabbatical in the New Year and to carry out the first burial in early 2018.

Legal Powers: LGA 1972 s127 and Localism Act 2011, ss1-8

Action Required:

To note the report.