

Partney & Dalby Parish Council
Monthly Cemetery Check Sheet (Revised 30 September 2024)

Partney cemetery is to be checked monthly to ensure that it is in a safe condition for people to enter *at the time the check is carried out*. This check sheet should be completed by the individual carrying out the check and the completed sheet should be passed to the Parish Clerk. It should be noted that the list of items to be checked is only a guide and is not definitive. Anything that might affect safety in the cemetery should be noted on the check sheet. If in doubt, or if not listed, note the item in the Notes section. If an item is satisfactory, then simply annotate the fact against the item on the check sheet.

Print name:	Cllr Pasqualino Risi
Signature: Electronic Email Exchange Date of check:	6th June 2025
1. What is the condition of the entrance gate, railings, signage and surface of the ground around the entrance?	<p>The Area is in good overall condition, considering the recent dry weather.</p> <p>The signage was recently installed and in good condition with no visible graffiti.</p> <p>The railings were painted four years ago and the paint has faded to a dull matt finish</p>
2. What is the general condition of the ground surface of the whole cemetery? (E.g. are there any trip hazards? any obvious rabbit holes? mole hills? tree roots?)	<p>The Area is in good overall condition, considering the recent dry weather.</p>
3. Are there any overhead hazards, such as low tree or dead branches that look as if they may snap and fall?	<p>The Area is in good overall condition</p>

4. Are there any items in the cemetery that contravene the Cemetery Regulations?

There were three headstones, that were sitting precariously and have been placed horizontally on the ground to ensure that cemetery users are not exposed to any hazards. It is recommended that a simple family search is undertaken to establish any family descendants, and request they act to address these structural headstone failings

5. Are there any animal faeces or other matter that would constitute a health hazard?

No

6. Is the standpipe in good condition and functioning properly?

The newly installed standpipe is leaking and requires immediate attention, given the date of installation, please confirm whether the warranty is in place.

7. Is there any litter in the cemetery?

No

8. Is the bench seat clean and in a suitable condition for people to sit on?

Yes

Notes:

It is recommended that a Parish Council discussion relating to the long-term sustainability of the ageing gravestones, Some are leaning (not a safety issue) but aged significantly, whilst records are retained of the cemetery occupants, some of these lease periods will have expired.

It is recommended that 'reasonable endeavours' are undertaken to establish the relatives of the damaged or stones that have been laid to rest' and seek remedial action from the families, based on the Parish Councils cemetery regulations regarding damaged headstones. Furthermore, the Parish Council should assess where there exists no direct identifiable relatives or if identified are unable to fund the repair to the headstone, whether the Parish Council should fund the repairs directly.

Photographic details of the inspection.







IN
LOVING MEMORY
OF
LEONARD JOHN
STAINTON

DIED 28TH SEPTEMBER 1986
AGED 65 YEARS
UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN

I hope this clarifies matters