

Ringmore Parochial Church Council,  
The Paddock,  
Ringmore,  
Devon, TQ7 4HW

Mrs M Wood,  
Clerk to Ringmore Parish Council,  
2, Sunnybank,  
Coastguard Cottages,  
Challaborough,  
Devon, TQ7 4HT  
Dear Mrs Wood,

16th March 2000

Thank you for your letter of the 23rd February.

In answer to your questions:-

I enclose a copy letter outlining the proposed work with a copy photo showing the stones at present on the North side of the Church to be removed and re-sited within the Church boundary, together with a list of names and dates on the stones involved.

Since the Incumbents and Churchwardens Trust Measure of 1964 no glebe land has been allowed to be owned by a PCC or a local Church -- so none available.

We have obtained another quote for the work from Mr David Yeoman of Thurlestone for £750 (no VAT payable). The PCC would like to accept this quote as soon as possible.

First though we hope you can agree to share equally with us the costs:-

Diocesan Faculty & advertisements in 2 local papers	£300
Removal work, re-siting of gravestones, also re-seeding of cleared area by Mr David Yeoman	<u>750</u>
	£1,050
Parish Council one-half share	<u>£525</u>

We look forward to hearing from you following your March Council Meeting.

On behalf of the Churchwardens and the PCC.

Yours sincerely,



( D.H. Williams  
Hon. Sec. Ringmore PCC)

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ALL HALLOWS CHURCH - KINGMORE

Churchyard - Provision of Burial Plots

We are in the position of needing to provide burial plots as we have only 2 remaining spaces. There is no suitable land for purchase available nearby and we shall shortly have no burial plots left.

The Rev. Preb. P. Stevens visited the churchyard in July to discuss what options were open to us. His advice was to re-use the space as outlined on the attached drawing as with the exception of 1 headstone, dating to 1984 which will be left in situ, the remaining stones date to over 100 years old.

The proposal is to remove 32 stones - Kingmore requires 2/3 spaces a year - so this would provide approximately space for 10 years. Preb. Stevens' recommendation being that the old headstones be removed and re-sited within the churchyard boundary with space to strim behind.

Preb. Stevens has consulted with the Archdeacon on this proposal.

There are no known relatives of families whose stones would be affected living in the village; a notice will be placed in the village newsletter for October.

The Diocesan Registry have recommended notices be placed in 2 local newspapers at the same time as the citation is placed on the church.

List of gravestones to be removed

54. Samuel Paul Bond Dunn 21.12.1861
55. Old Grave no headstone
56. Agnes Rogers 16.11.1794
57. William Griffin 13.5.1839
59. John Jones 26.8.1853
60. Peter Randle 1868 aged 9 weeks  
Fanny Randle 30.11.1865  
Emily Randle 9.4.1875
61. John Kerswill 2.4.1871
62. Dorothy Kerswill 25.12.1802
63. John Kerswill 7.12.1828  
William Yabsley Kerswill 16.5.1840
64. Thomas Yabsley 2.1.1784
65. Elizabeth Ester Donovan 1877  
Margaret Cathkine 1878
66. Thomas Stidston 8.11.1842  
Ebeneza Stidston 20.5.1843
67. William Stidston 2.12.1816
68. Mary Stidston 5.8.1811
69. Edward Colliver 10.6.1850
70. Samuel Sparrow 1.1.1818
71. William Sparrow 11.12.1879
72. John Sparrow 15.4.1870  
Elizabeth Sparrow 3.3.1874
73. Izette Amelia Wilmot Sparrow 3.11.1907  
Jane Sparrow 24.4.1774  
Elizabeth Sparrow 13.11.1805  
Benjamin William 12.9.1894  
Elizabeth Coulton 16.11.1957
74. Benjamin Sparrow 24.6.1833
75. Louisa Sparrow 19.4.1870
77. George V Colliver 12.9.1825
78. Eliza Stidson 16.3.1807
79. John Ryder 5.8.1837
80. Sarah Ryder 31.12.1811
81. John Ryder 10.5.1803
82. Mary Ryder 8.11.1803
83. John Ryder 27.10.1787
84. Joseph Osborne 26.10.1837
85. Elizabeth Edwards 12.6.1824
86. Elizabeth Anne Farley 30.5.1883

23<sup>rd</sup> February 2000

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Mrs. D. Williams  
Hon. Secretary Ringmore DCC  
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Dear Mrs. Williams,

Thank you for your letter regarding the removal of certain gravestones from the Churchyard.

This item was discussed during our Parish Council Meeting. I have been asked if you could answer the following questions –

- could you please clarify a little more the work that is intended
- could you establish whether glebe land in Ringmore can be made available
- do you intend to obtain more quotations to carry out this work

Perhaps you would be kind enough to obtain this information as this item has been placed on the agenda for our next Council Meeting scheduled to take place on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March.

Yours sincerely,

*M. Wood*

Mrs. M. Wood  
Parish Clerk



The Paddock,  
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7th February 2000

Dear Mrs Wood,

I write with reference to our letter of 14th October 1999 in which we advised you of the proposal to remove certain gravestones in the Churchyard so that new spaces will be made available for burial. I can report that a Diocesan Faculty has been granted and advertisements placed in 2 local newspapers without anyone raising objections to the Scheme -- but at a total cost of £300. Now a workforce is required to move the headstones within the Churchyard -- an initial quote from a local Nursery is between £880 - £1,100, depending on the exact work required. Before proceeding to obtain further quotes we would ask the Parish Council to consider sharing with us equally the cost of this operation.

You will realise that having these spaces available will enable demand to be met for possibly the next decade and avoid the need for the Parish Council to purchase further land for burial purposes.

We hope you will feel in sympathy with our request and await your decision.

On behalf of the Churchwardens and the PCC.

Yours sincerely,



Drina H. Williams  
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14th October 1999

Dear Mrs Wood,

The P.C.C. have asked me to inform the Parish Council that they are working on a proposal to remove certain gravestones from the Churchyard -- as outlined in the October Parish Newsletter.

If you require any further information please let me know.

Yours sincerely,



Drina H. Williams

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