



**Minutes of the Grounds Maintenance Committee Meeting held at The Grange Sports Field, Northampton Road, Earls Barton at 7.15pm on Thursday 14th October 2021**

Present: Cllrs G Broadhead (Chair), J Bond, S Glover, and W Mills

1. **Election of Chair** – Cllr G Broadhead was unanimously voted as Chair.
2. **Public Speaking Time** – members of the public attended to address members on the complaint received.
3. **Apologies for Absence** – apologies for absence were received from Cllr C Wells.
4. **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest** – none were received.
5. **Complaint** – member heard details of the complaint received regarding action of a grave digger at Earls Barton Cemetery. An apology was formally given to the family for the condition in which the grave was left following the burial. It was acknowledged that the contract was between the undertakers and the grave digger. However, it was agreed that the Clerk would look into the possibility of using alternative grave diggers and that EBPC would no longer recommend a grave digger to undertakers. In addition further measures to be put in place to be copied into communication between the undertakers and the grave digger were also approved. A letter of confirmation would be sent to the family.
6. **Treework Specification 2022/23** – the specification to carry out treework for the financial year 2022/23 was approved. It was resolved to invite tenders to be received by 24 December 2021.