

**Friends Of Teignmouth Cemetery
Newsletter 11Th January 2021
From Neil Howell, Chairman FOTC**

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR MEMBERS, FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS!

Just a quick update on what's happening with the cemetery.

COVID

It's been a really tough year with the impact of COVID and the restrictions that that has placed on organisations such as ourselves. Unfortunately this is continuing into 2021 with the latest lockdown.

So, like so many other organisations, FOTC has had to shut down again under the current COVID lockdown regulations and our normal weekly work sessions in the cemetery have stopped until at least the lockdown is lifted. For those interested our COVID policy can be found on our web-site here:

<https://teignmouthcemetery.wordpress.com/friends-of-teignmouth-cemetery/covid-policy/>

Although clearance work in the cemetery can't continue there is still a lot to do in the background to support us going forward, so if anyone would like to help and has experience especially in fund-raising, grant applications, research, PR please do contact us.

AGM

Because of COVID we had to cancel last year's AGM and it looks as though this year's AGM is unlikely to take place physically either. So, unless there is an immense change in the situation with COVID, we are planning to hold it this year as a Zoom session probably towards the end of March or early April.

We are also planning to hold an interim Zoom session for members before mid-February for a general catch-up and to get your views on the progress being made.

We are always keen to get more people on the committee to help with the various decisions we have to make going forward. So that first Zoom meeting would be an opportunity to find out more about the working of the committee if you are interested in getting involved. The committee is voted on at the AGM.

And finally

If you haven't seen it yet on our Facebook page we are starting the New Year with another "Tale from the Grave", a Victorian whodunnit. You can read "Murder Most Foul" on our web-site here:

<https://teignmouthcemetery.wordpress.com/2021/01/08/murder-most-foul/>

Enjoy the story, take care and stay safe

Neil