

## LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

### Proposal to Change the Specifications and the Charges for Maintenance of Grounds of St Michael's Churchyard

#### For consideration by the 2 November 2021 Meeting of BPC

##### 1. Specifications

###### Proposed

###### Frequent maintenance zone:

The hashed green areas will be maintained every 2 weeks from April - October

- The thick green lines are as per current spec and now include around the perimeter of the Church and all boundaries.

- As discussed, urns, spikes and other obstacles in wild areas will be strimmed around every 2 weeks so that long grass does not cover them and are easily visible.

###### Biodiversity zone:

- All other areas are to be left wild and cut 3 times per year - once in March / April, once in August (collecting cuttings and moving them to designated compost heap), once in late September / early October.

###### Current

###### Frequent maintenance zone: April to October (inclusive)

- two cuts a month beside all pathways to a width of 1 metre on each side of the path, remove any cuttings from pathways and ensure grass does not grow to encroach over the pathway;
- two cuts a month above the retaining walls beside Main Street, Park Lane, and School Lane to a width of approximately 600mm.

Biodiversity zone: All other areas cut first in August, again in September or October (depending on growth), and in April to include:

- cut around headstones, trees, and graves;
- cut grassy areas;
- generally maintain and tidy the area.

August cut to be raked up and removed. Other cuts can be left on the ground.

##### 2. Charges

###### Proposed

###### Frequent maintenance zone

April - October 2 weekly maintenance as per revised specification and plan:

- £75.00 + VAT

###### All areas

All other areas to be left wild and cut 3 times per year:

- March / April cut - £410.00 + VAT

- August cut (to include collection of cuttings) - £510.00 + VAT

- September / early October - £410.00 + VAT

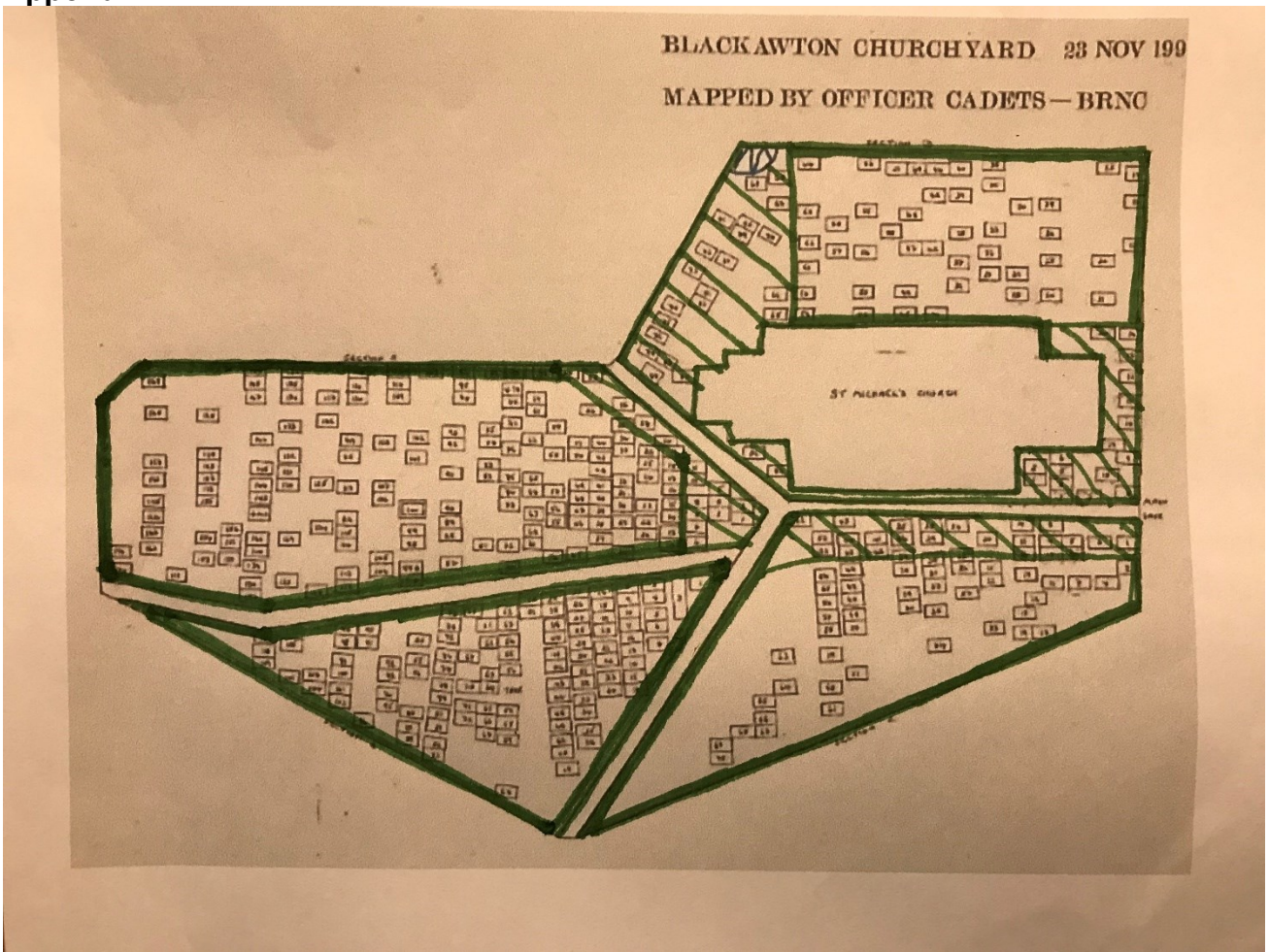
###### Current

Frequent maintenance zone - £35.00 + VAT per visit

All areas (frequent maintenance zone plus biodiversity zone) - £200.00 + VAT per visit (3 times per year approx)

Winter cuts: As needed cuts of both maintenance zones - £200.00 + VAT per visit

Appendix 1



Appendix 2

Churchyard Plan - Current

