



Welcome... to the latest newsletter from the **FRIENDS OF HYDE PARK CEMETERY**. Here you will find reports on progress over the past few months, events involving the Friends and other items of interest.

Please let us know if you would like information on any other topics.

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Guided Walks 2016



We are pleased to announce the details of this year's guided walks, including the return of our annual Bat Walk in August. Please take a look and then come along if you can, to find out some surprising facts about Doncaster's past. All walks are on Sundays at 3pm except for the Bat Walk. Further details can be found on our website.

Mansion House to Music Hall – 26th June

WW1 walk Sunday - 17th July

Bat Walk – Sat 6th August (9pm start)

Untimely Ends – 14th Aug

Doncaster's Great and Good? - 11th September

NCS Garden looking good

The garden that was created last summer by young people on the Government-backed National Citizen Service scheme is beginning to establish itself. Almost all the plants have survived and thrived. The garden is located in the north-east corner of the cemetery, alongside the main entrance



Missing footpath link reinstated



We are pleased to be able to report that, following representations to Doncaster Council, a key section of footpath in the cemetery has been reinstated, after previously being removed, soiled and seeded. The section of path in question was part of the perimeter path, in the south west corner of the site. The Friends considered it to be vital, as it formed part of the most heavily used route within the cemetery. It was also a key element of both the Heritage Circuit and the Tree Trail. We are grateful to Doncaster Council for reconsidering the situation and reinstating it.



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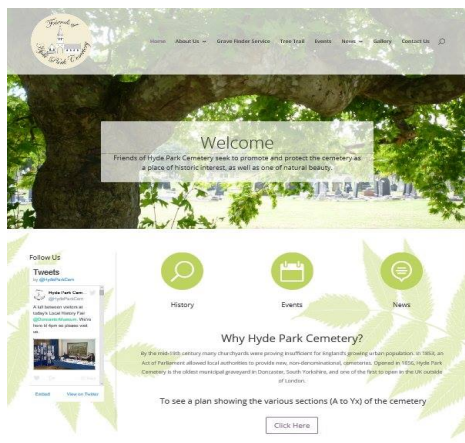
Progress with New Street wall

The boundary wall at the New Street (western) end of the cemetery is being repaired at present by contractors working on behalf of Doncaster Council. The wall was damaged by the roots of the black poplar trees, which were eventually felled two years ago.



Meanwhile, the Friends have submitted an application for planning permission and listed building consent to install railings on the wall, between the masonry piers. If the application is successful, the work on the railings will begin from the northern end of New Street, working down the hill as funds become available. We already have sufficient funds to begin the work, through a generous private donation from persons who wish to remain unnamed.

New website launched



We are delighted to announce that our new website is up and running. The site is more user friendly and was in great need of updating. Please take a look and let us know what you think! (Web address shown below).

How to Contact Us

There are many ways that you can contact the Friends and keep in touch with what is happening:

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More graves being cared for

Here is yet more evidence that graves in Hyde Park Cemetery are being cared for. The previously broken and untidy grave below was restored by a local monumental mason, on behalf of the grave owner. The same owner arranged for a headstone to be erected on the previously unmarked family grave next to it (see below).



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