

Closed Churchyard Report – March 2024

The box tomb repair remains outstanding. The PCC has returned to the architect to identify another stonemason, as that used previously has failed to respond.

The block protecting the churchyard wall from road water run-off has been mortared back in place.

The new Nature Trail sign has been erected at the village end of the churchyard.

A date or dates need to be determined once the weather improves to re-stain the bench at the west end of the church and to repair the drive from the village, removing the potholes.

For the pothole repairs cllr Burton suggests that we need 10mm crushed gravel, with a single bulk bag sufficing. It must be crushed because round gravel (which is easily available) behaves like ball bearings under foot. Options include:

A bulk bag of 10/4mm crushed gravel from

https://www.myersbuildingsupplies.co.uk/product/crushed-gravel-4-10mm/?attribute_pa_bag-size=supabag

for £63.59

or a bulk bag of Dove Grey crushed peak stone from

<https://www.gravelmaster.co.uk/products/garden-chippings/p/dove-grey-derbyshire-peakstone-10mm>

for £109.

In either case we need the bulk bag off loaded at the churchyard gates and a team of 3 or 4 should be able to spread the stone in 2 hours.

Finally, the PCC are aware that the bird box fixings need to be improved as currently they are being blown about by the wind. This might also be attended to when the gravel and bench are dealt with.

Council to suggest date(s) and to approve the cost of and order the material.

Cllr Nick Mills