Agenda No 8

Miss J Norris
Ilminster Town Council
Council Offices
North Street
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16th January 2019

Dear Miss Norris

Re: **The late** [redacted]

I have enclosed an application on behalf of the family of the above deceased to erect a memorial in Ilminster cemetery.

I note that a requirement is a membership of a one of the associations that accredits monumental masons.

To explain our situation we started our monumental business in 1980 and have traded uninterrupted since that time. The accreditation schemes, which were established sometime around 2010, did not affect our ability to practice in our local area of Bridport and East Devon and we have fixed memorials as far afield as Sevenoaks, Kent recently without any problem. In the period of almost 40 years trading we have received no complaints or claims regarding the stability of our memorials in churchyards or cemeteries. We have kept abreast of current fixing methods and would have no trouble complying with the fixing methods specified.

The site where this memorial is to be placed is on level ground and would require the standard NAMM recognised approach.

We have fixed two memorials previously in Ilminster in 2002 (Leslie Carbin) and the memorial to the Maidlow family around 2003.

We would therefore like it to be considered at the forthcoming council meeting that we be allowed to erect the memorial outlined on the enclosed application form.

We are grateful for your attention to this matter.

Yours sincerely