Stowupland – Cemetery Caretaker and General Maintenance Worker Risk Assessment			
Hazards	Control Measures	Remarks/Action	
Coronavirus (COVID-19) Highly contagious viral infection which can result in serious illness and/or death	Guidance has been issued and updated by the Government and other competent authorities or bodies on numerous occasions Group litter picking days within the parish will take due regard to the guidance current at the time of the litter picking If showing any symptom of Covid-19 or having been in close contact with anyone known or suspected to have Covid-19 within the time frame identified in Government guidance should not volunteer to litter pick on that occasion The correct use of appropriate PPE will be required	Aware of COVID-19	
Traffic	Work wear: Clean high visibility fluorescent jacket	Check work wear regularly.	
Road traffic accident	Do not work alone close to any road		
<b>Litter</b> Syringes, soiled clothing, unidentified chemicals in containers, dead animals	Wear gloves at all times and collect litter only with litter pickers  Do not collect syringes, report finding and Location to Clerk  Leave all unidentifiable chemicals/ substances with or with out hazard warning signs and advise the Clerk  For large awkward objects advise the Clerk	Replace gloves regularly	
Surface	Safety footwear with good treads.	Check footwear regularly	
Slips on steep inclines, grass surfaces Trips from brambles and pot holes	Avoid working on steep inclines in frosty, wet or snowy ground conditions.  Take care when collecting litter from near bushes, brambles etc.  Staff to be aware of their surroundings.	ū .	
Exposure to weather extremes	Plan work to avoid long periods in direct sunlight; wear protective head gear. Wear suitable		
Over-exposure to heat or sun, hypothermia	light weight class 3 fluorescent jackets in summer. Plan work to avoid long periods in wet or cold weather; wear padded class 3 fluorescent jacket in winter.		
Lone Working Injury resulting in the inability to contact help	The staff members will inform a member of their family of their working pattern and the estimated length of time to be spent away from home.		
Manual Handling Consequence: Strains, Cuts, Abrasions, etc.	Use the correct lifting techniques. Assess weight of object to be lifted - Get assistance if required. Wear gloves. Check for sharp edges before commencing to lift. Remember to lift with the knees and not the back.	Aware of Health & Safety Policy	
Machinery	Ensure machinery used correctly. Always refer to manufacturers' instructions.		
Injury resulting from use of machinery	Damaged machinery to be reported to the Clerk and not used until repaired.		
Gravestones/Memorials Injury resulting from falling gravestones	Gravestones/memorials to be checked for stability annually		
Water, Leptospirosis	Do not work alone in or near water. Always wear waterproof gloves and boots or waders.  Wash hands thoroughly with disinfectant soap as soon as possible after task completed.		

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Parish Clerk Signature:	Date:
Maintenance Worker Signature:	Date:

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