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Friends of Poonindie Cemetery Sub-Committee to be established

A new Council sub-committee, Friends of Poonindie Cemetery, has been established to enable Council and the community to make improvements to the Poonindie Cemetery site.

The cemetery is not actively in use and as such, a management plan is being developed to preserve the historic site going forward.

Chief Executive Officer, Delfina Lanzilli advised that a working group meeting was held earlier this month where Council staff and community members discussed low impact improvements that could be considered, and any approvals that may be required.

“Staff discussed the inclusion of signage to recognise the history of the site and acknowledge those believed to be interred on site, shade, fencing and some plantings,” Ms Lanzilli said.

Staff will collate a draft plan based upon the feedback that has been gained through this group over the past 12 months and meet again in May to finalise the draft before it is presented to Council and released for public consultation.

Ms Lanzilli said Council would also need to gain the relevant approvals from State Government authorities for any proposed work as part of the management plan.

Discussions are also continuing with the Flinders University to undertake geotechnical surveying of the site which is currently planned for August.

“Once Council has been assured by the survey that the current fencing reflects the interments, Council and the Committee will then be able to move forward,” Ms Lanzilli said.

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