## BEDALE, AISKEW AND LEEMING BAR & BURRILL JOINT BURIAL AUTHORITY

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## Statement Advising Parishioners of Memorial Obligations with regard to Safety of Memorials

The Bedale, Aiskew and Leeming Bar & Burill Joint Burial Authority ('the JBA') appreciate that this is a very emotive and sensitive subject. The JBA has a statutory responsibility for public safety in the cemetery. Notices detailing the testing of the memorials were displayed in July 2016. Following a Risk Assessment which was completed in August 2017, the report indicated safety concerns with some of the headstones. As all memorials remain the responsibility of the family, we have written to the families who have contacted the JBA. We are searching our records for contact details of the remaining families. This is proving to be quite difficult and the JBA welcomes contact from concerned relatives. Email: jbauthority@gmail.com or Tel: 07752 145163.

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