

IN THE CONSISTORY COURT AT LINCOLN

IN the matter of St Guthlac, Market Deeping

And in the matter of the refurbishment of the existing grave of John Henry and Lillian Fromant

Judgment

1. The Petitioner is the grandson of John and Lillian Fromant and he applies to be permitted to remove the existing kerbs and then to reinstate them having refurbished the grave area including removing a self-seeded tree from the middle of the grave. He also wishes to add an inscription in memory of his late father who was his grandparents' only son. His remains have been interred elsewhere. The proposed new wording to be added to the refurbished kerbs is 'In memory of their only son John Dudley Fromant born 13 of September 1926 Died 10 of December 2016'. The wording will be engraved and finished in black enamel paint.
2. The PCC support the application as does the DAC.
3. The only issue of concern is whether the inscription to be added to commemorate John Dudley Fromant may be misleading in suggesting his remains have been interred in that grave.
4. The Petitioner does not wish to add wording about any other location.
5. Save for a small addition, I am content with the wording that is proposed given that it states it is in memory of Mr Fromant. However, in the burial register or in another suitable place of record

for the church, it should be recorded that Mr Fromant who is memorialised on his parents' grave, has his remains interred elsewhere (and the churchyard/cemetery should be identified). In this way the accuracy of the historic record is maintained.

6. A small addition to the wording is required to what is proposed with the addition of the word 'And' at the beginning.
7. The dates of the birth and death should use the words of the relevant month rather than numbers (as the plan indicates).
8. A condition of the Faculty will be that if any disarticulated human remains are uncovered during the works and it is necessary to remove them, they may be so moved but must be forthwith reinterred elsewhere in the grave. However, if disarticulated human remains are uncovered which it is necessary to remove for the works to be done, the work is to stop and further directions sought from this court by contacting the Registry immediately.
9. I waive my fee for this short judgment.

The Revd HH Judge Mark Bishop
Chancellor
6th April 2024