



At the Court at Buckingham Palace

THE 10th DAY OF DECEMBER 2025

PRESENT,

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY
IN COUNCIL

Representations were duly made to His Majesty in Council by the Secretary of State for Justice that, subject to the exceptions below, burials should be discontinued forthwith in:-

- 1) St Michael's Church Churchyard, Fobbing, Stanford-le-Hope, Essex (as shown hatched on the plan annexed hereto);
- 2) St Mary de Wyche Church Churchyard, Wychbold, Droitwich, Worcestershire (as shown hatched on the plan annexed hereto);
- 3) St Mary's Churchyard, Church Street, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire (as shown hatched on the plan annexed hereto).

In pursuance of the Order in Council made on 15th October 2025 these representations have been published and taken into consideration by a Committee of the Privy Council.

Accordingly, His Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred on Him by section 1 of the Burial Act 1853, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order that burials shall be discontinued forthwith in the places listed above, subject to the following exceptions:-

- (a) in the places numbered 1 and 2 above, in any vault or walled grave in the churchyard, burial may be allowed but every coffin in such vault or grave must be separately enclosed by stonework or brick work properly cemented;
- (b) in all the places numbered above, in any existing earthen grave in the churchyard, the burial may be allowed of the body of any member of the family of the person or persons previously buried in that grave, but no part of the coffin containing the body shall be less than one metre below the level of the surface of the ground adjoining the grave; and

- (c) in all the places numbered above, in any grave space in which no interment has previously taken place, the burial may be allowed of any person for whom, or any member of the family for which that grave space has been reserved and appropriated, with the exclusive right of burial there, but no part of the coffin containing the body shall be less than one metre below the level of the surface of the ground adjoining the grave.

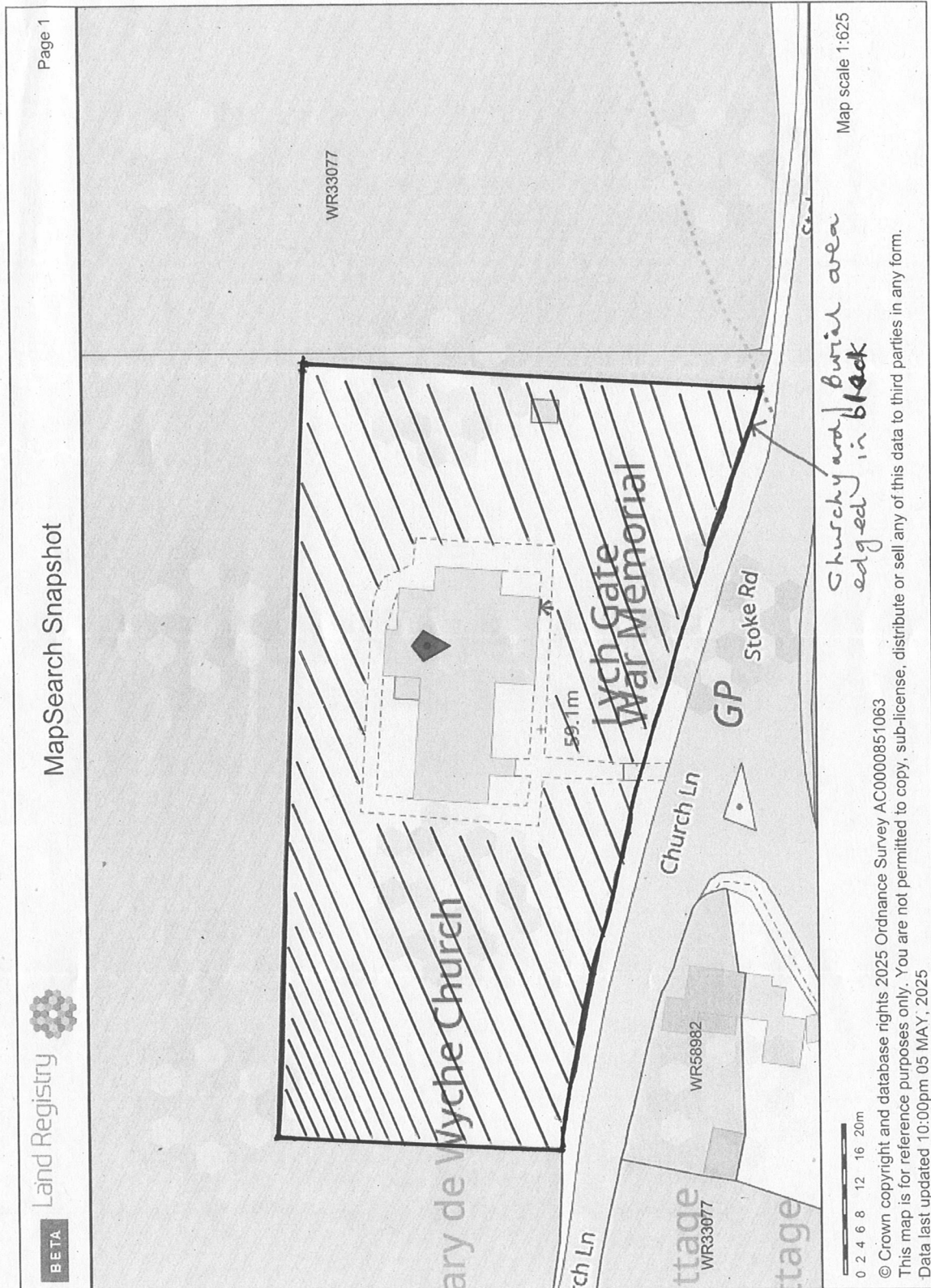
Richard Tilbrook, CVO

11 SITE OF OLD FORTBING SCHOOL
(FOUNDATIONS IN PLACE)

 AREA TO BE CLOSED

A hand-drawn map of a site boundary, labeled "BOUNDARY OF SITE" at the top and bottom. The map is overlaid with a grid of blue lines. Various points are numbered, including 158, 257, 256, 255, 254, 253, 251, 252, 237, 236, 238, 239, 243, 240, 241, 234, 235, 233, 232, 219, 218, 217, 216, 215, 214, 213, 212, 211, 210, 209, 208, 207, 206, 205, 197, 196, 188, 187, 192, 189, 186, 185, 194, 193, 184, 183, 182, 191, 192, 193, 181, 180, 156, 124, 125, 157, 91, 90, 49, 50, 4, 3, 2, 1, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100. Annotations include "Completely overgrown" in the upper right, "Private house and garden" in the lower left, and "Memorial Wall" in the center. A dashed line indicates a boundary or path. The map is not to scale.

St Mary de Wyche Church Churchyard, Wychbold, Droitwich, Worcestershire



St Mary's Ross-on-Wye Churchyard Map

