

# ended at accusation over military cemetery

members of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers, while there are also civilian graves in the cemetery.

Maureen Sparling, who lives beside the graveyard, was livid at these claims made in the letter.

"It is in perfect, impeccable condition," said Maureen.

"It never looked so well, there isn't even a beer can or a paper on the ground. My son looks after it and this is one of the best kept graveyards in the city."

Maureen's son John is contracted to care for the military headstones, and rejected accusations that they are being neglected.

"Those graves are cleaned annually by John, and subsequently inspected by the Board of Works - plus the CWGC check periodically on them and arrive unannounced - the last person to inspect voiced his positive approval."

Maureen explained that members of her family have been caring for the property for the last 40 years, beginning with her deceased husband.

"This is extremely upsetting and a very troublesome letter. If we hadn't been looking after the graveyard for the last 40 years, then there simply wouldn't be a graveyard," she said.

**A view of the military cemetery located in King's Island. The family who live beside it totally reject a claim that animals have been allowed to graze there**

