

ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL - EDI – MARCH 2024

NO PRE-SALE OF LAIRS – LESS THAN 10 YEARS OPERATIONAL DURATION
AT AUG. 2023

HELENSBURGH AND LOMOND

LOCATION	REASON FOR NO PRE-SALE	MITIGATION MEASURES
Luss Church Yard and Cemetery	No Pre-sale of lairs due to restricted land available. Attractive location – tourist area	None immediately available - new location to be considered if local burial service to be retained. Sale of lairs restricted to Luss residents. No option to expand current site.
Faslane Cemetery	No pre-sale due to restricted land available within current boundary. No option to expand	Cemetery building removed and other areas converted - a further approx. 40nr lairs created Sale restricted to Faslane parish residents. No option to expand.
Barbour Cemetery	Less than 10 years available at current annual rate of sale.	None immediately available – Adjacent land unsuitable due to shallow rock depth. No option to expand.

BUTE AND COWAL

LOCATION	REASON FOR NO PRE-SALE	MITIGATION MEASURES
Kingarth cemetery South Bute	Less than 10 years available at current annual rate of sale.	Additional 30nr lairs created in current ground - adjacent extension being pursued. Initial contact with land owner ongoing at present.
Cnoc-an-raer Cemetery North Bute	Less than 10 years available at current annual rate of sale.	Section 2 to be expanded and developed within owned land. Ongoing planning work at present.
Kilmorich (Cairndow) Cemetery	Less than 10 years available at current annual rate of sale.	No adjacent land available – option for new extension in wooded ground – cost prohibitive. Officer is looking for alternative areas locally. Initial meeting with land owner in late Feb 2024 established trial excavations can be carried out in March 2024.
Strachur Cemetery	Less than 10 years available at current annual rate of sale.	Additional 15nr lairs by relocating access road. New site south of village being

		explored. Initial approval from land owner – Ground investigation works to prove suitability within SEPA regs.
Kilmun Cemetery	Less than 10 years available at current annual rate of sale.	Additional 10nr lairs by removing access road. No scope to expand further – Considering use of Sandbank Cemetery
Cowal (Sandbank) Cemetery	Less than 10 years available at current annual rate of sale.	Additional drainage and footpaths to develop 110nr lairs within current site. Adjacent land at Torlochan Site – Dept. responsibility transferred to RIS. Initial trial holes carried out in early 2023 - site to be developed after confirming SEPA regs.
Kilmodan (Glendaruel) Cemetery	Less than 10 years available at current annual rate of sale.	No scope to extend, new development unlikely - SEPA water course / Flood plain restrictions, affecting planning consent.
Lochgoilhead Cemetery	Less than 10 years available at current annual rate of sale.	No adjacent land available – option for new extension in wooded ground – cost prohibitive new site to be investigated in coming 2-5 years.

MID-ARGYLL, KINTYRE and ISLANDS

LOCATION	REASON FOR NO PRE-SALE	MITIGATION MEASURES
Kilkerran Cemetery (Campbeltown)	Less than 10 years available at current annual rate of sale.	Additional 100nr lairs in existing “6 th Section” by converting roads and footpaths. Scope for 120nr more in unused land within bounds of cemetery. Further expansion on adjacent farmland not possible due to SEPA regs. Restrictions on Planning Approval. Initial plan was a new site to be developed West of Campbeltown, however this site is no longer available. Alternative site to the north of Kilkerran awaiting confirmation of land ownership via MOD and agreement for sale of land in conjunction with local farmer..

Patchen Cemetery Kintyre	Less than 10 years available at current annual rate of sale	Additional extension in field – initial site investigation required to confirm SEPA compliance.
Bowmore Cemetery Islay	Less than 10 years available at current annual rate of sale	Additional extension in field – initial site investigation required to confirm SEPA compliance.

OBAN, LORN and the ISLES

LOCATION	REASON FOR NO PRE-SALE	MITIGATION MEASURES
Isle of Iona Cemetery	Sale restricted to Iona residents	New site required by 2035
Beadoun (Tobermory) Cemetery	No pre-sale restrictions in place in PH1 Construction approx. 2008, to remain in place in new 2023 PH2 extension to preserve Burial Service in town.	Approximately 210nr lairs available in new extension. Release to “open sale” likely to trigger “10 year rule” after first 12 months. No scope to expand further due to cost prohibitive construction and land tenure conditions on adjacent ground. Third site to be sought - limited suitable ground available.
Calgary Cemetery Mull	Sale restricted to local parish residents – at point of requirement – but in pairs due to depth	Shallow ground extension in process of being acquired. Lairs sold in pairs for single interments. Additional material source being investigated to allow upfill to multiple depth layers.
Pennygowan Cemetery , Mull	Less than 10 years available at current annual rate of sale	Adjacent land – unsuitable due to shallow rock - limited scope elsewhere for new site.
Isle of Lismore Cemetery	Sale restricted to local parish residents – at point of requirement	Rock at shallow depth in “half” the current cemetery, to be removed and up-filled to maintain burial service. Awaiting Church of Scotland approval for access through adjacent field, works programmed May/June 2024 which will allow approx. 40 years availability of lairs. SEPA reg restricting further expansion at this site Limited suitable land elsewhere.
Kilbrandon (Old)	Sale restricted to parish residents	Limited remaining space. “New” cemetery operating in parallel.

Achnaba Cemetery	Sale restricted to parish residents	Gifted Extension approx. 2009, no scope for further development.
Appin Cemetery	Sale restricted to parish residents Alternative site explored approx. 2015 but not taken to conclusion.	Extension constructed 2022 on remaining area of suitable ground. No scope for further extension.