

CEMETERY ASSET UPDATE REPORT

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report provided an update following a consultation on cemetery provision and policy which was carried out in early 2020 and unfortunately clashed with the pandemic.
- 1.2 This report also proposes to carry out a further cemetery consultation later this calendar year which will be reported back to a future meeting of this committee.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee are asked to note this report.

3.0 DETAIL

- 3.1 At its December 2019 meeting, the Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee considered a cemetery asset report. The Committee:
- *Agreed that a community consultation is undertaken seeking views on the draft policies detailed in paragraphs 4.10 to 4.15 of the submitted report.*
 - *Noted that a further report would be presented to Members detailing the consultation feedback and proposing a set of cemetery policies.*
- 3.2 The timing of the consultation clashed with the pandemic and subsequent lockdown periods which is thought to have impacted on the quantity of the responses.
- 3.3 It is proposed that a further consultation be carried out later in 2022 with the output from that consultation being reported to a future meeting of this Committee.

4.0 CONCLUSION

- 4.1 This report provides an update to the cemeteries consultation, which was carried out in the early part of 2020. The report also proposes to carry out a further consultation which will be reported to a future meeting of this committee.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Policy – In line with current burials policy. Note this policy may change as a result of the proposed consultation exercise
- 5.2 Financial – No financial implications at this stage.
- 5.3 Legal – the Council are required to provide a facility for burials by law under current legislation
- 5.4 HR – any HR implications will be identified as the proposal progresses.
- 5.5 Fairer Scotland Duty: None known
- 5.5.1 Equalities – None known
- 5.5.2 Socio-economic Duty – None known
- 5.5.3 Islands – None known
- 5.6 Climate Change – due regard will be given to climate change with a view to minimising any climate change impact and these will be considered as and when they arise.
- 5.7 Risk – None known
- 5.8 Customer Service – None known

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