

Extract from minutes of -

PARKS AND LEISURE COMMITTEE

14th October, 2010

“Ulster Farmers’ Union

The Director of Parks and Leisure reminded the Committee that a tier-three assessment, including hydrogeological modelling had indicated that the site at Lisleen would be suitable as a potential site for the Council’s future burial provision. In addition, he reminded the Committee that, at its meeting on 16th September, it had agreed that:

- (i) a robust business plan be developed in relation to the development of additional crematorium facilities and the extension of the Roselawn Cemetery;
- (ii) officers make arrangements for site investigations at the Dundrod sites, with priority to be given to the site offered through the expressions of interest process;
- (iii) the Nutt’s Corner site was not suitable as a potential site for a new burial cemetery;
- (iv) legal advice on the implications for potential future compulsory purchases be sought; and
- (v) an update newsletter be sent to all potentially affected landowners and other key stakeholders.

The Director stated that, throughout the process of site investigations in relation to the Lisleen site, the landowners had expressed concern regarding the implications of the burial land’s project for their land holdings. In this regard, the Ulster Farmers’ Union, on behalf of their members residing within the vicinity of the Lisleen site, had written to the Council seeking an opportunity to present their concerns to the Committee. Accordingly, he requested that the Committee consider the request which had been received from the Ulster Farmers’ Union.

After discussion, it was

Moved by Councillor Stoker,
Seconded by Councillor J. Rodgers,

That the Committee agrees to withdraw its interest in the Lisleen site as a potential location for the Council’s future burial provision.

On a vote by show of hands three Members voted for the proposal and four against and it was accordingly declared lost.

Accordingly, the Committee agreed to accede to the request which had been received from the Ulster Farmers’ Union.”