

Councillor Christopher Stalford
Chairman
Shadow Strategic Policy and Resources Committee
Belfast City Hall
Belfast
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2nd July 2014

Dear Christopher,

Re: Request to Shadow Strategic Policy and Resources Committee to discuss proposed cemetery site at Dundrod.

A specialist team of consultants, working on behalf of our clients, Carston Undertakings Ltd, recently presented the Belfast City Council Parks and Leisure committee with our proposals for a new cemetery development in the Dundrod area, expressing a wish to, subject to agreement with the Council, find a route on how we may move these proposals forward.

This is a real opportunity to develop a site, which has a particular strength in meeting the need for access from North and West Belfast; indeed the site was selected as preferred site in 2011.

There are a number of strengths all of which we believe contribute significantly to the viability of our proposals;

- It is a substantial site in single ownership
- There is very good transport connectivity, a twenty minute drive from Belfast City centre
- It is in a picturesque location, with a mature rural landscape setting
- There are two access points to the site for main and secondary access needs
- There is an opportunity for Council to develop crematorium in the future if it wishes to do so

Given the ongoing structural changes, we recognise that the Shadow Strategic Policy and Resources Committee will have growing role in the run up to the formal handover of responsibilities in April 2015.

With this in mind we are writing to you to request an opportunity to present to the Belfast Shadow Strategic Policy and Resources Committee at the earliest opportunity.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George Dorrian", with a horizontal line underneath.

George Dorrian
Strategic Planning