



Subject:	Update on Strategic Cemetery and Crematorium Development
Date:	10 May 2016
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Is this report restricted?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	The purpose of this report is to update Members on the key issues discussed at the Strategic Cemeteries and Crematorium Working Group meeting held on 6 April 2016.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Committee is asked to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approve the minutes and the recommendations from the Strategic Cemeteries and Crematorium Working Group meeting held on 6 April 2016 attached at Appendix 1.
3.0	Main report
3.1	The Strategic Cemeteries and Crematorium Working Group is a Working Group of the People and Communities Committee which consists of an elected Member from each of the political parties. The minutes from the Strategic Cemeteries and Crematorium Working Group are brought before the Committee for approval.

3.2	<p>The key issues discussed at the 6 April meeting were:</p> <p><u>Update on issues of subsidence at Roselawn Cemetery</u></p>
3.3	<p>Members were provided with an update on actions to minimise the risk of subsidence of graves in Roselawn Cemetery and the introduction of a trial use of shoring.</p>
3.4	<p><u>Update on Economic Appraisal of future cremation facilities</u></p> <p>Members were provided with an update on the progress of the economic appraisal process on future cremation options and asked to agree the key SMART objectives/ parameters that will be used in the assessment of the four shortlisted options.</p>
3.5	<p>More details regarding the above issues and recommendations are included in the minutes for this meeting which are attached as Appendix 1.</p>
3.6	<p><u>Financial & Resource Implications</u></p> <p>The development of a new cemetery and the redevelopment of the crematorium are currently Stage I emerging projects in the Council's capital programme. There are no asset implications at this stage although the final phases of the project will inevitably increase the Council's land ownership and associated liabilities.</p>
3.7	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>There are currently no equality or good relation implications however this will continue to be reviewed as the project is developed. Any changes to policy will be equality screened in line with the Council's equality process.</p>
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
4.1	<p>Appendix 1 – Copy of the Minutes of the Strategic Cemeteries and Crematorium Working Group's meeting on 6 April 2016.</p>