



Subject:	Glasgow Rose Trials, 18 and 19 August 2016 Cremation and Burial Conference and Exhibition 4-6 July 2016 Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management Learning Convention & Exhibition 31 October – 2 November 2016
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 seek permission from Committee for Elected Members and Officers to attend Glasgow Rose Trials, the International Cremation & Burial Conference & Exhibition and the Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management's Annual Learning Convention & Exhibition.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	It is recommended that approval is given for the Chair, Deputy Chair and the Assistant Director or their nominees to attend; <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Glasgow Rose Trials 18 and 19 August 2016• International Cremation and Burial Conference and Exhibition 4-6 July 2016 in Stratford-upon-Avon• Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management Learning Convention and Exhibition 31 October – 2 November 2016 in Oxfordshire
2.2	Members may wish to extend the attendance at both Cemetery and Crematorium conferences to members of the Cemeteries Working Group given the portfolio of work being led by them.

3.0	Main report
	<u>Key Issues</u>
	Glasgow Rose Trials 18 and 19 August 2016
3.1	The City of Glasgow International Rose Trials will take place on 18 and 19 August 2016 and is acknowledged as a premier event within the international rose trial circuit. The Council has attended this event regularly over the years and is anticipating being invited this year by Glasgow City Council to participate in trial judging.
3.2	Representatives from Glasgow City Council have reciprocated each year, by supporting the Council's Rose Trial event at Sir Thomas and Lady Dixon Park. Attendance at the trials has helped to promote links between the two Councils in the provision of judges enabling joint learning and discussion of future developments.
3.3	Attendance at the City of Glasgow International Rose Trials would provide an opportunity to promote Belfast to the many delegates who attend. It is proposed the Chair and Deputy Chair and the Assistant Director or their nominees attend the Glasgow Rose Trials on 18 and 19 August 2016.
	International Cremation and Burial Conference and Exhibition 4-6 July 2016
3.4	The International Cremation & Burial Conference & Exhibition will take place on 4-6 July 2016 at the Holiday Inn, Stratford-upon-Avon. The Council has attended this event intermittently over the years as its dates are not always suitable for officers to attend.
3.5	The Conference is organised in partnership with the Cremation Society of Great Britain, the Federation of Burial and Cremation Authorities, the International Cremation Federation and the Association of Private Crematoria and Cemeteries.
3.6	Attendance at this event will provide an opportunity to learn about international developments and the programme presentations contain important issues to all those in the death care industry. It will be of particular interest to representatives from burial and cremation authorities who wish to keep abreast of the latest developments affecting their services and facilities. The exhibition attached will offer excellent opportunities to see the range of products and services that are on offer to help officers provide the best possible service to bereaved families.
3.7	It is proposed that the Chair and Deputy Chair and the Assistant Director or their nominees attend the International Cremation and Burial Conference and Exhibition 4-6

July 2016.

Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management Learning Convention and Exhibition 31 October 2016 and 2 November 2016

3.8 The Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management's annual Learning Convention & Exhibition will take place on 31 October 2016 at Oxford Belfry Hotel, Nr Thame, Oxfordshire. The Council has attended this event regularly over the years and is currently engaging with the Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management on a best practice and advisory role for the Bereavement Services Review.

3.9 Attendance at this event will allow Councillors and officers to keep up to date with developments in the funeral services industry and make contacts with other authorities and service providers, learning from their expert knowledge and experience. The exhibition attached to this event offers excellent opportunities to see the range of products and services that are on offer to help officers provide the best possible service to bereaved families.

3.10 It is proposed that the Chair and the Deputy Chair and the Assistant Director or their nominees attend the Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management Learning Convention and Exhibition 31 October 2016 and 2 November 2016.

Financial & Resource Implications

Glasgow Rose Trials 18 and 19 August 2016

Human Resources

3.11 There are no Human Resource issues other than officer time.

Financial Implications

3.12 Attendance at the Glasgow Rose Trials, including flights and accommodation for 1 night will cost approximately £350 per attendee which is within the department's budget.

International Cremation and Burial Conference and Exhibition 4-6 July 2016

Human Resources

3.13 There are no Human Resource issues other than officer time

	<p><u>Financial Implications</u></p> <p>3.14 Attendance at the International Cremation and Burial Conference and Exhibition, including flights, travelling and accommodation for 2 nights will cost approximately £750 per attendee which is within the department's budget.</p> <p>Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management Learning Convention and Exhibition 31 October – 2 November 2016</p> <p><u>Human Resources</u></p> <p>3.15 There are no Human Resource issues other than officer time.</p> <p><u>Financial Implications</u></p> <p>3.16 Attendance at the Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Learning Convention and Exhibition, including flights, travelling and accommodation for 2 nights will cost approximately £750 per attendee which is within the department's budget.</p> <p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>3.17 There are no known equality issues associated with attendance at any of the above events.</p>
<p>4.0</p>	<p>Appendices – Documents Attached</p>
<p>4.1</p>	<p>Appendix 1 City of Glasgow International Rose Trials 18-19 August 2016</p> <p>Appendix 2 - International Cremation and Burial Conference and Exhibition 4-6 July 2016, Conference details</p> <p>Appendix 3 - Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management Learning Convention and Exhibition 31 October – 2 November 2016 Convention details</p>