



Subject:	Update on Strategic Cemetery and Crematorium Development
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Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

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1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
	The purpose of this report is to report to committee on the key issues discussed at the Strategic Cemeteries and Crematorium Development Working Group meeting held on 2 November 2017.
2.0	Recommendations
	The Committee is asked to; <ul style="list-style-type: none">Approve the minutes and the recommendations from the Strategic Cemeteries and Crematorium Development Working Group meetings held on 2 November 2017.

3.0	Main report
	<p data-bbox="272 226 421 255"><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p data-bbox="165 293 1422 423">3.1 The Strategic Cemeteries and Crematorium Development Working Group is a Working Group of the People and Communities Committee which consists of an elected member from each of the political parties.</p> <p data-bbox="165 495 1461 577">3.2 The minutes from the Strategic Cemeteries and Crematorium Development Working Group are brought before the Committee for approval.</p> <p data-bbox="165 629 1054 680">3.3 The key issues discussed at the 2 November meeting were:</p> <p data-bbox="165 730 1114 786">3.4 <u>Update on CCTV Cost Options for Falls Park and City Cemetery</u> Members considered the options contained within the report and stated a preference not to incur the substantial costs associated with the purchase and installation of fixed CCTV within Falls Park and City Cemetery. The Members agreed to maintain and keep under review the current operational mobile security measures.</p> <p data-bbox="165 1032 1445 1234">3.5 <u>City of Belfast Crematorium – Joint Initial Guidance on Coffin Accreditation Schemes</u> The Working Group noted the information provided on Coffin Accreditation Schemes and endorsed the recommendation to seek legal advice prior to the adoption of any accredited scheme.</p> <p data-bbox="165 1301 1466 1440">3.6 <u>Update on Permanent Memorial to mark Plot Z1 in the City Cemetery</u> The Members noted the update provided and the progress has been made in the setting up of the Focus Group of representatives from families of those buried in the plot.</p> <p data-bbox="165 1503 1445 1742">3.7 <u>Update on the Implementation of the Memorial Management Policy</u> The Members noted the update provided on the progress of the implementation of the policy and the ongoing work to review it. They were advised that a workshop had been held with memorial sculptors in October and the officers were currently revising the policy and that this would be brought to the Working Group for consideration at a future meeting.</p> <p data-bbox="165 1805 1469 1944">3.8 <u>Update on Economic Appraisal of Future Cremation Facilities</u> The Members noted the update provided on the work that had been undertaken to date and agreed to the holding of a workshop to examine in detail the results of the work done to</p>

<p>3.9</p>	<p>date and to submit to the Working group a costed option in respect of future cremation facilities.</p> <p><u>Financial & Resource Implications</u></p> <p>There are no financial implications related to this report. The costs of the memorial at Plot Z1 will be met through the Council's capital programme.</p>
<p>3.10</p>	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>There are currently no equality or good relation implications in relation to the capital projects however this will continue to be reviewed as the projects are developed.</p>
<p>4.0</p>	<p>Appendices – Documents Attached</p>
	<p>Appendix 1 – Copy of the Minutes of the Strategic Cemeteries and Crematorium Development Working Group's meeting on 2 November 2017.</p>