

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE - 8th NOVEMBER 2006

CEMETERY MANAGEMENT RULES UPDATE

Report by Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services.

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To inform members of the outcome of the recent public consultation undertaken to amend the Cemetery Management Rules, in relation to the adoption of the British Register of Accredited Memorial Masons (BRAMM) Scheme as an agreed Quality Service Standard.

2. DISCUSSION

- 2.1 At the Community Services Committee on the 13th September 2006 it was agreed that a statutory public consultation should be undertaken in respect of the proposed amendment to the Cemetery Management Rules.
- 2.2 The Public Consultation Notice was advertised in accordance with Section 112 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982. Advertisements were placed in the Ayrshire Post, Kilmarnock Standard and Cumnock Chronicle on the 27th September 2006.
- 2.3 The consultation period concluded on the 26th October 2006, and no comments or objectives were received during the period.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 None arising from this report.

4. POLICY/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 In terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 the amended Management Rules shall, subject to approval of Committee, continue in force, unless revoked for a period of 10 years. The rules assist the Council to comply with Health and Safety requirements. The revised rules are also consistent with the Improving Safety elements of the Community Plan.

5. CONCLUSIONS

5.1 After Public Consultation, it is proposed to update the Cemetery Management Rules in accordance with the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

5.2 Thereafter and as part of the updated Management Rules for Cemeteries, to introduce the BRAMM Scheme as part of the rules, as from 1st January 2007.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 The Committee are requested to:-

- (i) approve the amended Management Rules for Cemeteries; and
- (ii) otherwise note this report.

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30th October 2006

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. East Ayrshire Council's Cemetery Management Rules.

Any person wishing to inspect the background papers listed above should telephone John Griffiths, Head of Leisure Services, telephone (01563) 578179.

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