

Memorandum for Executive Council

SUBJECT

Proclamation of a new Cemetery at the Dungeon.

Memorandum by the Chairman of the Environment & Natural Resources Committee

ADVICE SOUGHT

1. Executive Council is asked to consider and advise whether the attached Proclamation to declare the establishment of a new Cemetery, in accordance with Section 2 of the Burial Grounds Ordinance, 1895, should be approved.

BACKGROUND & CONSIDERATIONS

2. The existing Cemetery at the Dungeon is full and a new site has been identified next to the current site.
3. The site identified was on private land but has now been exchanged for alternative Crown land and is now under Crown ownership.
4. Full Planning Permission was sought for the use of the new site as a burial ground. This included a 14 day public consultation period. No objections have been registered for this application. Under an LDCA agreement this was done under Chief Planning Officer Delegated Powers.
5. Under the Burial Grounds Ordinance, 1895, the Governor in Council may at any time declare by Proclamation any Crown Land to be a Cemetery. (Proclamation attached)

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6. SHG will be responsible for the upkeep of the Cemetery but some of this cost will be offset by the fees paid for each grave site.

ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS

7. None identified.

CONSISTENCY WITH INVESTMENT POLICY PRINCIPLES

8. N/A

PUBLIC / SOCIAL IMPACT

9. Not having a graveyard for certain faiths will be problematic as no alternative sites are currently available for this purpose.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

10. An environmental screening was done as part of the planning process. This screening determined that there are no significant environmental impacts associated with the use of this site as a

graveyard.
11. None.

**PREVIOUS
CONSULTATION /
COMMITTEE
INPUT**

**PUBLIC
REACTION**

12. The public will likely be in favour of the new Cemetery as there is no alternative burial ground for people of certain faiths and the current site is full.

PUBLICITY

13. It is recommended that the ExCo Report and associated broadcast be used to inform the public of the outcome of the discussion.

**SUPPORT TO
STRATEGIC
OBJECTIVES
LINK TO
SUSTAINABLE
ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT
PLAN GOALS**

14. 1.1 Ensure effective investment in physical infrastructure, including improved access to and around the Island.

15. Improve infrastructure.

**OPEN /CLOSED
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