

BRAMCOTE BEREAVEMENT SERVICES JOINT COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, 16 JANUARY 2020

Broxtowe Borough Council:

Councillors R I Jackson
M Radulovic MBE

Erewash Borough Council:

Councillors C Hart
G Hickton
M Powell

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S J Carr.

45 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

46 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 17 October 2019 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

47 **CHRISTMAS SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE 2019**

The Joint Committee received an update on the Christmas Service of Remembrance held on Sunday 1 December 2019. It was noted that 164 people attend the service and positive feedback was received.

48 **CREMATION NUMBERS AND MINOR IMPROVEMENTS UPDATE**

The Joint Committee were updated on the cremation numbers and minor improvements undertaken at the crematorium. It was noted that there had been a minor decrease in cremation numbers due to additional crematoriums opening within the area.

49 **REVENUE ESTIMATES 2019/20 AND 2020/21**

The Joint Committee considered the Revenue Estimates 2019/20 and 2020/21. It was noted that due to competing crematoriums within the area there had been a decline in surplus funding. It was proposed that the crematorium invest in a marketing strategy to increase the level of business. The Joint Committee requested that a further report on the marketing strategy be brought to a future meeting.

RESOLVED that:

- 1. The revised estimate for 2019/20 and the base estimate for 2020/21 as submitted at appendix 2 be approved.**
- 2. An amount of £7,800 be provided to cover inflation during 2020/21.**
- 3. An amount of £115,000 be provided to cover revenue developments during 2020/21 as outlined in appendix 3 of the report.**
- 4. The fees and charges as detailed in appendix 4 be implemented.**
- 5. An amount of £300,000 be distributed to each of the constituent authorities in 2020/21.**

50 MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY TO 2022/23

The Joint Committee considered the Medium Term Financial Strategy for Bramcote Crematorium for the 2022/23 period.

RESOLVED that the medium term financial strategy for Bramcote Crematorium be approved.

51 PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT 2019/20

The Joint Committee noted the on the performance levels for the crematorium in 2019/20.

52 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

RESOLVED that the meeting of the Joint Committee be held in 2019/20 as follows:

(Annual Meeting) 25 June 2020 - Bramcote Crematorium

53 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED that, under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

POTENTIAL LAND SALE/REDEVELOPMENT ADJACENT TO THE CREMATORIUM SITE

RESOLVED to DECLARE the land surplus to the Crematorium's requirements and RECOMMENDED to the executives of both constituent authorities that delegated authority be given to Broxtowe's Deputy Chief Executive and s.151 officer, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of this Committee and Erewash's s.151 officer, the initial negotiations with the prospective land purchaser, subject to appropriate buffering arrangements between the Crematorium and the proposes housing developments.