3 REVIEW OF OPEN SPACES MANAGEMENT RULES AND CEMETERIES MANAGEMENT RULES – PUBLIC CONSULTATION (AN25-2019)

Reference is made to Article III of the minute of meeting of this Committee of 18th February, 2019 (Report No 74-2019 refers). It is reported that the public consultation period is complete. Three objections were received.

These objections were in response to the Management Rules for Open Spaces Rule 8.2 which prohibits commercial sound recording, commercial photography or commercial filming without the Council's previous written permission. On reconsideration, it is believed that the effect of the existing Tayscreen Production Code of Practice together with Clause 3.1 of the Open Space Management Rules which prohibits behaviour which causes or is likely to cause annoyance, offence or alarm or distress to any other Open Space user or neighbouring resident, adequately covers these activities. It is therefore recommended that Rule 8.2 is removed and the remaining Rules renumbered accordingly.

Reference is also made to recommendation 2.3 in connection with the Management Rules for Cemeteries. Following review, it is recommended that Rule 10 of the Terms and Conditions attached to the Cemetery Management Rules relating to Semi Private Ground should be amended from:

'10. Semi Private Ground

The Council has allocated sections in certain Cemeteries to be used as semi private ground. At these locations it is not possible to purchase a Title Deed. No erection of memorials, shrubs planting or tributes are permitted. However, all other arrangements will be the same as a private funeral.'

to:

'10. Other burial areas

The Council has allocated sections in certain Cemeteries for other burials. At these locations it is not possible to purchase a Title Deed. No erection or memorials, shrub planting or tributes are permitted. There is a designated area available to leave temporary floral tributes.'

An improved process is being developed for family members to search for relatives, which will link Bereavement Services and the Archive and Records Centre on the Dundee City Council website. The Burial Records Guide has also been updated.