

3 CEMETERY INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS (AN201-2012)

This agenda note sets out proposals for minor infrastructure improvements at the Howff and Western Cemeteries.

Reference is made to agenda note AN61–2012 to the Environment Committee of 23rd April, 2012 when an initial programme of works was approved to improve the condition of the boundary wall at the Howff Graveyard. It is proposed to carry out works on the remaining length of boundary wall and railings with the works to include:

- Removal of vegetation from sections of walls;
- Re-pointing of walls utilising the appropriate materials; and
- Re-paint gate and railings.

The above works will help reduce further damage to the existing walls and copings.

Reference is also made to Committee Report 233/2011 to the Leisure, Arts and Communities Committee of 9th May, 2011 regarding the formation of a cremated remains area within the Western Cemetery. It is now proposed to install a monumental plinth within this area to accommodate the installation of memorial plaques associated with the burial of cremated remains.

An offer has been received from the Construction Services Division of £60,495 to undertake all of the above defined works. The Director of Corporate Services advises that these costs can be met from allowances within the Environment Department's Capital Budget for 2012/13. It is recommended that the proposed improvements are approved and the Director of Environment be instructed to undertake the works.