

## Issues arising from Overview & Scrutiny

Scrutiny Board/ Date	Subject and Recommendation(s)	Officers initial comments on Recommendation(s)
<p>Stronger Communities &amp; Neighbourhood Services Scrutiny Board</p> <p>6 November 2018</p>	<p><b>BEREAVEMENT SERVICES – DELIVERY OF THE 30 YEAR STRATEGY</b></p> <p>The Board made the following RECOMMENDATIONS to the Cabinet Member for Stronger Communities and Partnerships:</p> <p>(i) That, the new Bereavement Services Strategy should cover a shorter period, such as 10 years, so that it can respond to reviewed forecasts as required;</p> <p>(ii) That the Council should continue to seek an extension to Woodlands Cemetery and, when costs had been established, that an options appraisal report be taken before Cabinet Member for decision;</p> <p>(iii) That, based on the current lack of demand, the Council should not continue to investigate above ground vaults and chambers; and</p> <p>(iv) That the Council should take account of the lack of local demand for natural burial provision and use feedback from Funeral Directors to inform the new Strategy.</p>	<p>i) The revised Strategy will cover a 10 year period and will be presented to Cabinet Member for decision in February 2019.</p> <p>ii) Work will continue to seek an extension to Woodlands Cemetery. When suitable land has been located and costs established this will be taken before Cabinet Member for decision. The timing of this cannot be confirmed at this stage.</p> <p>iii) Noted, this will be clarified in the revised strategy.</p> <p>iv) Noted, this will be clarified in the revised strategy.</p>