

Proposal Title: Investment Decision on Poole Crematorium

Impact Summary

Climate Change & Energy	Red - Major negative impacts identified	
Communities & Culture	Green - Only positive impacts identified	
Waste & Resource Use	Green - Only positive impacts identified	
Economy	Green - Only positive impacts identified	
Health & Wellbeing	Green - Only positive impacts identified	
Learning & Skills	Green - Only positive impacts identified	
Natural Environment	Red - Major negative impacts identified	
Sustainable Procurement	Amber - Minor negative impacts identified / unknown impacts	
Transport & Accessibility	Amber - Minor negative impacts identified / unknown impacts	

Answers provided indicate that the score for the carbon footprint of the proposal is: **7.5**

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Brief description:

Bereavement Services business plan phase one progress report and future options appraisal for Poole Crematorium facilityProposer's Name: **Andy Mcdonald**Proposer's Directorate: **Environment & Community**Proposer's Service Unit: **Environment**Estimated cost (£): **Between £25K and OJEU threshold**If known, the cost amount (£): **£1.5 to £2M**

Ward(s) Affected (if applicable):

All Wards Canford Cliffs

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) supported by the proposal:

1. No Poverty 3. Good Health and Well Being 5. Gender Equality 7. Affordable and Clean Energy 9. Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure 10. Reduced Inequalities 11. Sustainable Cities and Communities 12. Responsible Consumption and Production 15. Life On Land

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Climate Change & Energy

Is the proposal likely to have any impacts (positive or negative) on addressing the causes and effects of climate change? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (in this case there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Has the proposal accounted for the potential impacts of climate change, e.g. flooding, storms or heatwaves? **Yes**
- 2) Does it assist reducing CO2 and other Green House Gas (GHG) emissions? E.g. reduction in energy or transport use, or waste produced. **No**
- 3) Will it increase energy efficiency (e.g. increased efficiency standards / better design / improved construction technologies / choice of materials) and/or reduce energy consumption? **Yes**
- 4) Will it increase the amount of energy obtained from renewable and low carbon sources? **Partially**

How was the overall impact of the proposal on its ability to positively address the cause and effects of climate change rated?

Red - Major negative impacts identified



The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

The potential reintroduction of gas fired cremators at Poole would have a negative impact. Alternative provision such as electric or water cremation, whilst having a lower impact would still require an increase in energy consumption, although this may be able to be obtained through a greener supply chain. There is currently an over supply of cremators in Dorset/West Hampshire which exceeds the number of deaths within the region by 2.5:1

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

Long term we may be able to reduce the number of cremators at Bournemouth crematorium in line with the proposed increase at Poole Crematorium. New modern equipment such as cremators and heat recovery technology will deliver better energy efficiency. Air conditioning and cooling to be included (benefit of newer equipment). Environment and climate change regulations (Environment Bill 2020) will have an impact on the plan/service e.g. NOx abatement. Compliance with the Environment Bill and other relevant legislation/regulations. Industry best practice. Consultation and engagement e.g. APSE. Training and use of equipment will have an impact on energy efficiency and emissions production

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Communities & Culture

Is the proposal likely to impact (positively or negatively) on the development of safe, vibrant, inclusive and engaged communities? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Will it help maintain and expand vibrant voluntary and community organisations? **Yes**
- 2) Will it promote a safe community environment? **Yes**
- 3) Will it promote and develop cultural activities? **Yes**

How would the overall impact of the proposal on the development of safe, vibrant, inclusive and engaged communities be rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified



Reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

**It will allow those with a greater attachment to Poole to use a local crematorium
Ongoing maintenance and aesthetic appearance of public realm/cemeteries spaces
will enhance feeling of safety and a sense of wellbeing. Bereavement services
provides
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or all communities and provide a space/opportunity for cultural activities e.g.
funerals, bereavement. Supports cultural and religious activities and wellbeing.**

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

N/A

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Waste & Resource Use

Is the proposal likely to have any impacts (positive or negative) on waste resource use or production and consumption? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Will it prevent waste or promote the reduction, re-use, recycling or recovery of materials? **Yes**
- 2) Will it use sustainable production methods or reduce the need for resources? **Don't know even though may be relevant**
- 3) Will it manage the extraction and use of raw materials in ways that minimise depletion and cause no serious environmental damage? **Partially**
- 4) Will it help to reduce the amount of water abstracted and / or used? **Partially**

How would the overall impact of the proposal on the sustainable production and consumption of natural resources be rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified



The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

Cremation is a form of recycling which reduces the reliance on burial. Burial having a far greater impact on material usage and land usage. Residue to be collected and disposed. Plaques refurbished when possible. Opportunities to reduce resource use e.g. coffins and associated materials. Shrouded cremations are being encouraged. Water use only in grounds maintenance/buildings - grey water being collected and used on site where possible.

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

We are exploring the use of alternative disposal technology. Continue to following regulations and industry best practice.

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Is the proposal likely to impact (positively or negatively) on the area's ability to support, maintain and grow a sustainable, diverse and thriving economy? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Will the proposal encourage local business creation and / or growth?
Yes
- 2) Will the proposal enable local jobs to be created or retained?
Yes
- 3) Will the proposal promote sustainable business practices?
Yes

=How would the overall impact of the proposal on it's potential to support and maintain a sustainable, diverse and thriving economy be rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified



The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

The addition of cremators back at Poole will require additional human resources and assist the local funeral directors in choosing Poole, over other local competition (based outside of BCP Council) within the sector. The reintroduction and expansion of the service will provide opportunities for increased jobs. Bereavement Services supports a wide variety of services and businesses e.g. florists, funeral directors etc.

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

N/A

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Health & Wellbeing

Is the proposal likely to impact (positively or negatively) on the creation of a inclusive and healthy social and physical environmental for all? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Will the proposal contribute to improving the health and wellbeing of residents or staff?
Yes
- 2) Will the proposal contribute to reducing inequalities?
Yes
- 3) Will the proposal contribute to a healthier and more sustainable physical environment for residents or staff? **Partially**

How would the overall impact of the proposal on the creation of a fair and healthy social and physical environmental for all be rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified



The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

The provide additional choice, be reassuring for familys and improve mental well being at a time of consdierable stress The contiuned maintenance of teh grounds will give residents the sense of physical and mental wellbeing. Access to tranquil open green spaces and encouragement of walking. Promotion of biodiversity and high quality natural environments.

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

Ongoing monitoring of benefits and impacts

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Learning & Skills

Is the proposal likely to impact (positively or negatively) on a culture of ongoing engagement and excellence in learning and skills? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Will it provide and/or improve opportunities for formal learning?
Yes
- 2) Will it provide and/or improve community learning and development?
Yes
- 3) Will it provide and/or improve opportunities for apprenticeships and other skill based learning? **Yes**

How would the overall impact of the proposal on the encouragement of learning and skills be rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified



The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

Will open up new opportunities for training within the Bereavement Sector. Service will support ongoing learning and development of staff and community volunteers. Apprenticeships, training, mentoring and coaching to enable succession planning.

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

Apprenticeships, training and staff development already being delivered - this will be further supported through this plan e.g. grounds maintenance, administration, Diploma in Crematorium and Cemetery Management. to enable the operation of twin site crematorium Crematorium Technicians and other staff require specific qualifications.

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Natural Environment

Is the proposal likely to impact (positively or negatively) on the protection or enhancement of local biodiversity or the access to and quality of natural environments? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Will it help protect and improve biodiversity i.e. habitats or species (including designated and non-designated)? **No**
- 2) Will it improve access to and connectivity of local green spaces whilst protecting and enhancing them? **No**
- 3) Will it help protect and enhance the landscape quality and character?
No
- 4) Will it help to protect and enhance the quality of the area's air, water and land? **No**

How would the overall impact of your proposal on the protection and enhancement of natural environments be rated?

Red - Major negative impacts identified



The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

The introduction of gas fired cremators will impact on air quality and increased carbon emissions, from current situation

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

We are seeking alternative solutions to gas fired cremation, including electric and water cremation. The technology is very much in its infancy and may not as reliable or perceived acceptable as the current methods of disposal. Enhancing and protecting natural environments through ongoing maintenance, development and sustainable practice of cemeteries and buildings. Bird boxes and feeders, bug and hedgehog hotels supported. Opportunities to introduce other species such as goats. Tree planting. Natural burials and burial grounds.

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Sustainable Procurement

Does your proposal involve the procurement of goods, services or works? **Yes**

Has or is it intended that the Strategic Procurement team be consulted? **Yes**
– **planning to discuss**

If the Strategic Procurement team was not consulted, then the explanation for this is:

- 1) Do the Government Buying Standards (GBS) apply to goods and/or services that are planned to be bought?
Partially
- 2) Has sustainable resource use (e.g. energy & water consumption, waste streams, minerals use) been considered for whole life-cycle of the product/service/work? **Yes**
- 3) Has the issue of carbon reduction (e.g. energy sources, transport issues) and adaptation (e.g. resilience against extreme weather events) been considered in the supply chain?
Partially
- 4) Is the product/service fairly traded i.e. ensures good working conditions, social benefits e.g. Fairtrade or similar standards?
Don't know even though may be relevant
- 5) Has the lotting strategy been optimised to improve prospects for local suppliers and SMEs?
No
- 6) If aspects of the requirement are unsustainable then is continued improvement factored into your contract with KPIs, and will this be monitored? **Partially**

How is the overall impact of your proposal on procurement which supports sustainable resource use, environmental protection and progressive labour standards been rated?

Amber - Minor negative impacts identified / unknown impacts



The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

Cremators can only be sourced and installed by a very limited and specialist number of suppliers. Any additional works, including building works can be sourced In House using local labour and suppliers Business efficiency and sustainability over a prolonged period of time are key driver of the service.

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

Works will be in conjunction with Strategic Procurement to meet the aims of sustainable procurement where possible

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Transport & Accessibility

Is the proposal likely to have any impacts (positive or negative) on the provision of sustainable, accessible, affordable and safe transport services - improving links to jobs, schools, health and other services? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Will it support and encourage the provision of sustainable and accessible modes of transport (including walking, cycling, bus, trains and low emission vehicles)?
Partially
- 2) Will it reduce the distances needed to travel to access work, leisure and other services? **Partially**
- 3) Will it encourage affordable and safe transport options?
Partially

How would the overall impact of your proposal on the provision of sustainable, accessible, affordable and safe transport services be rated?

Amber - Minor negative impacts identified / unknown impacts



The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

This may reduce the need to travel greater distances from West BCP Council, rather than Bournemouth Crematorium. This applies to both Families, staff and funeral directors. Funerals are generally attend by extended families who may travel considerable distances to celebrate a loved ones life, in which circumstance negates sustainable travel options

Details of proposed mitigation and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

N/A