

DUFFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

REPORT TO : Cemetery Committee

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Agenda Item 15 Life span of Cemetery

Background

The Committee on 15 April 2015 requested that this be discussed at this meeting. The Committee is concerned that there is a finite number of plots available in the cemetery and wishes to preserve these for the Parishioners.

Review of grant of Exclusive Right to Burial

Year	ERB in Parish	ERB out of Parish	Total
2001	7	4	11
2002	12	11	23
2003	8	7	17
2004	8	6	14
2005	11	12	23
2006	8	7	15
2007	4	9	13
2008	9	4	13
2009	10	14	24
2010	4	7	11
2011	6	6	12
2012	6	18	20
2013	6	12	18
2014	4	9	13
2015	8	12	20
Total for all 15 years	111	138	249
Average per year	7.4	9.2	16.6
Total for first 10 years	73	81	154
Average for first 10 years	7.3	8.1	15.4
Total for last 5 years	30	57	87
Average of last 5 years	6	11.4	17.4

Available land

plots available	number	lifespan at rate of 25 per year	estimated year of use
areas I, J, P and N	437	17.5	2032
Q	250	10	2042
picnic area	350	14	2056
cemetery field	1500	60	2116
Total useable now	687	27.5	2032
Total including picnic area-in current cemetery	1037	41.5	2056
Total including cemetery field	2537	101.5	2116

Analysis

- Sale of Exclusive Rights has increased in last 5 years. Including an increase in out of parish- despite increase in costs.
- Costs now similar to AVBC costs. AVBC exclusive right £1050. DPC £920.
- 20 sales per year realistic. Figures in table above based on 25 sales per year.
- Life span of at least 30 years with current plots. Beyond year 2042.
- In cemetery itself-using picnic area-45 years to beyond year 2060.
- Including Cemetery Field to beyond year 2120. 100 years plus.

Options

- continue to keep out of Parish Fees consistent with or above AVBC out of Borough.
- Set a limit on out of Parish sales of Exclusive Rights
- Sell Exclusive Rights in plots I and J. Then N and P. No sales in Q until these plots are full.
- do nothing at moment and review in 2 years time

