

Number	Recommendation	Responsibility	Evidence of Progress - 01/06/09	Assessment of progress (Categories 1-4) 14/01/08	Assessment of progress (Categories 1-4) 21/07/08	Assessment of progress (Categories 1-4) 11/02/09
2	The further capital investment to deliver the existing five year Improvement Plan for cemeteries and closed churchyards be considered through the Capital Asset Strategy Group to identify appropriate funding streams.	Technical Services / Sue Daniels	Funding has been secured through the Capital Programme at £150k for next 2 years ending March 2011.	3	3	2

5	Registration and Bereavement Services review office opening hours to provide, where possible, an improved service to the public.	Jayne Robins	Complete		2	1 1 2	1 1 2
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7	Further efforts are made to establish friends groups for all of the Council's cemeteries.	Jayne Robins	Consultation ongoing	2	2	3
8	Planting be undertaken at strategic locations to deter vandals and assist with traffic control within cemetery grounds	Richard Bradley	Progressing	3	3	2

13	The redevelopment of the disused chapels of Oxbridge and Durham Road Cemeteries be further explored and a feasibility study be prepared on the various potential options.	Richard Bradley	On hold due to the need to utilise chapels for storage of unauthorised memorials	2	3	3
15	The Land and Property Section identify additional land within the Borough for the siting of a cemetery in order to meet future burial needs.	Paul Hutchinson / Garry Cummings	Potential sites identified to be discussed by Capital Group in October 2009	2	2	3

16	Future burial provision be considered as part of the planning development framework.	Sue Daniels	In progress and on track in accordance with LDF timetable	2	2	2
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17	Officers investigate alternative, space efficient ways of interring cremated remains within cemeteries.	Jayne Robins	On track. Project brief is in preparation and will be presented to a future meeting.	2	2	2
18	The audit of space available in unpurchased graves within cemeteries be continued and upon completion grave space be offered in the following circumstances subject to appropriate consultation or awareness raising exercises: Graves previously sold in perpe	Sue Daniels/Jayne Robins	Complete Completed as part of above audit	2	2	1 1
19	All graves be excavated, as a matter of course, to allow for 3 interments.	Richard Bradley/Jayne Robins		2	2	2

20	Articles be included in Stockton News to raise awareness on the full range of burial options and alternatives together with information on grave rights and transfer and the service offered by the Council in respect of civil funerals.	Jayne Robins	Complete - but ongoing publicity	2	2	1
21	Information leaflets be prepared on the issues to be considered when planning a "green" funeral, on how to organise your own funeral and that leaflets on planning funerals be provided to solicitors to distribute to people when they are making wills.	Jayne Robins	Complete - but ongoing publicity	3	2	1

22	A detailed business case be prepared on the feasibility of providing a crematorium for Stockton including possible funding streams and partnership arrangements	Sue Daniels/Jayne Robins	Considered by this Committee at its' meeting in February. Working Group established with project expected to be complete at end June 2009. A follow-up report will be presented to future committee	2	2	2
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23	The development of a woodland cemetery at Thornaby be considered by the Capital Asset Strategy Group to identify appropriate funding streams and that the extension and creation of a woodland cemetery be undertaken in one single phase to minimise the risk	Jayne Robins / Sue Daniels / C&AS Working Group	Slight slippage has occurred with the completion of the survey. This will now be presented to Capital Group in October 2009	2	2	2
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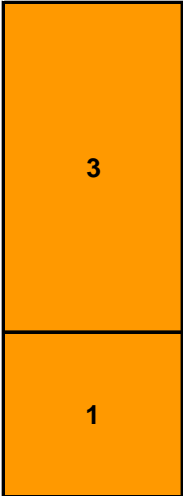
24	The identification of further woodland burial sites be supported.	Paul Hutchinson/Garry Cummings / Sue Daniels	On track - subject to completion of 23 above	2	2	2
25	The Council's current regulations in respect of type and design of coffin be reviewed to allow greater freedom of choice within the constraints of availability and safe materials.	Jayne Robins	Complete	2	2	1

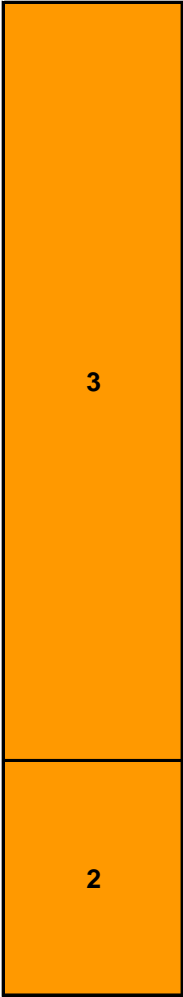
26	Bio-degradable coffins be supplied via Bereavement Services and that a reusable coffin shell (to be used in conjunction with a cardboard coffin) and a pall be available for use.	Jayne Robins	Complete - but ongoing publicity	2	1 2	1
27	Clearer guidelines are developed in respect of the dedicated benches and trees schemes together with the introduction of appropriate fees and that the benches, trees and other appropriate memorial dedications be extended to locations other than cemeteries	Jayne Robins	Incorporated with Phase 2 recommendation nos. 5 and 6	2	2	1

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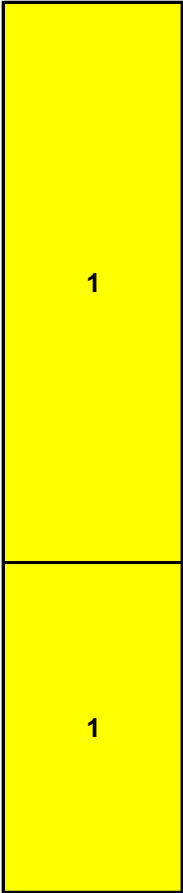
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