

APPENDIX 3

Environment and Sustainability Assessment

Birmingham City Council is required to assess any positive or negative impacts that any policy/strategy/ decision/development proposal is likely to have on the environment. To complete the assessment, you should consider whether that policy/development/proposal will have a positive or a negative impact on each of the key themes by placing a (✓) for positive, (x) for negative and (?) for unclear impact, and (N/A) for non-applicable impact. The assessment must be completed for all Cabinet reports. It is the responsibility of the Service Director signing off the report to ensure that the assessment is complete. The officers from the sustainability team can help to fill the assessment especially during the early days of implementation.

Theme	Example
Natural Resources - Impact on natural resources including water, soil, air.	Development of the extension to King's Norton Cemetery will include the introduction of a sustainable land drainage scheme to improve the management of natural water resources and minimise the risk of flooding.
Energy use and CO ₂ emissions.	There is a neutral impact on the use of energy and CO ₂ emissions
Quality of environment.	The site is intended to be landscaped to house an extension of the existing cemetery with better walking access to the site and places to visit for people who visit their deceased loved ones. This will be an important aspect to ensure the deceased are treated with dignity and respect.
Impact on local green and open spaces and biodiversity	The site will be accessible to the public- the existing sites are not wholly accessible and will incorporate specific areas for local flora and fauna to flourish.
Use of environmentally sustainable products, equipment and packaging'	During the construction of the new burial grounds and introduction of a sustainable land drainage scheme, the production of waste will be minimised. Use of recycled products will be promoted for particular types of burials.
Minimising waste	The development is proposed to minimise waste creation and the maximise recycling during the construction and operation of the project. During construction the promotion of reuse and recycling of existing materials will provide opportunities to improve sustainability in the waste management at the site.

Council plan priority: a city that takes a leading role in tackling climate change and deliver Route to Zero.	By incorporating the proposed sustainable land drainage scheme the intention is to ensure the impact will be to reduce carbon use and assist in the City Council's aim to deliver Route to Zero.
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Project Title:	Extension to King’s Norton Cemetery- Implementation of phases 3 and 4			
Department:	Team: City Operations, Bereavement Services		Person Responsible for assessment: Paul Lankester	
Date of assessment: 26 January 2022		Is it a new or existing proposal? This is an extension of an existing facility		
Brief description of the proposal: Renewal of existing crematorium with installation of two burning chambers to replace three chambers and installation of improved gaseous emission technology				
Potential impacts of the policy/development decision/procedure/ on:	Positive Impact	Negative Impact	No Specific Impact	What will the impact be? If the impact is negative, how can it be mitigated, what action will be taken?
Natural Resources- Impact on natural resources including water, soil, air	Improved gas emission treatment			
Energy use and CO ₂ emissions	Improved use through advancements in technology			

Quality of environment			Using existing footprint	
Impact on local green and open spaces and biodiversity			Yes	Potential improvement through better air quality emissions, but better to retain as neutral impact as this is difficult to prove.
Use of sustainable products and equipment	Yes			
Minimising waste	Yes			
Council plan priority: a city that takes a leading role in tackling climate change	Yes			
Overall conclusion on the environmental and sustainability impacts of the proposal	This will have a positive effect on the environment than the current facility.			

If you require assistance in completing this assessment, then please contact: ESAGuidance@birmingham.gov.uk