

#### **14 FUTURE CEMETERY PROVISION IN DUNDEE (AN319-2003)**

The current projected capacity for cemetery provision in the City varies from no additional lairs at the Eastern, Balgay and Western cemeteries, to a limited provision of up to 5 years at Barnhill Cemetery and 12-15 years at Birkhill Cemetery.

There is a need to carry out a study which will evaluate the future cemetery provision in the City over the next 25 years.

In particular, at Birkhill, operational problems have been encountered due to the underlining geology and the high water table. For this reason it is proposed that the City Engineer be remitted to carry out a Feasibility Study to ascertain if the areas to the north and west of the present cemetery are suitable for use as extension to the cemetery. The study will assess topography, geology and hydrology of the site and provide probable costs for the development of the sites.

In addition there is a need to assess other areas in the City which might be used for future cemetery provision and it is recommended that the City Engineer is also remitted to bring forward a joint report with the Director of Leisure & Arts on potential sites for future use.

There is an allowance of £15,000 in the 2003/04 Leisure and Arts Capital Budget for professional fees for the Study.