

BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT OF THE CLERK & TECHNICAL OFFICER

COYCHURCH CREMATORIUM JOINT COMMITTEE

FRIDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2015

CREMATOR REPLACEMENT PROGRAMME

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise the Joint Committee on progress with the cremator replacement programme in relation to the appointment of a manufacturer to install and maintain, through a maintenance agreement, the new cremators, ancillary equipment and mercury abatement plant.

2. Background

- 2.1 On 12th June 2015 the Joint Committee was informed of the award of the contract to Facultatieve Technologies, in line with the Committees authorisation of 6th March 2015.

3. Current Situation/Proposal

- 3.1 Works commenced on 19th August 2015 with a scheduled completion date of 20th February 2016. During this period the Crematorium will remain operational via a multi-phased installation programme, ensuring the availability of at least one fully operational cremator for the continuity of the cremation service. The disruption to the Crematorium will be further minimised by the delivery of the new cremators and ancillary equipment in pre-built form via the specially created removable roof opening in the new crematory extension, so reducing site time.
- 3.2 The cremator replacement programme will provide for two modern bariatric cremators and ash processing equipment, coffin cold storage facilities, a mobile automatic coffin loading machine for the safe charging of bariatric coffins and a mercury abatement system providing 100% abatement of the Crematoriums cremations. The works also include a bespoke ventilation system to provide operator comfort.

4. Effect upon Policy Framework and Procedure Rules

- 4.1 There are no effects.

5. Equalities Impact Assessment

- 5.1 There are no effects.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1 These works are included in the expenditure budget and Service Level Business Plan for 2015/16 and can be accommodated from the accumulated balance of £1,195,000 which has been built up over a number of years to meet the planned costs of replacing the plant.

7. Recommendation

- 7.1 The Joint Committee is asked to note the report.

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Background Papers: Equalities Impact Assessment Toolkit