

MARGAM CREMATORIUM JOINT COMMITTEE

Report of the Superintendent – Mr Clive Phillips

18 February 2022

Matter for Information

Wards Affected: All Wards

Cremation Figures for July 2021-December 2021

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide members with a monthly comparison of cremations undertaken from July 2021 to December 2021.

Background

2. Members will note from the below chart a comparison on a monthly basis of all cremations that have been undertaken since the 1st July 2021 to December 2021, with a comparison against the figures for 2020:

| MONTH / YEAR | NVF / Stillborn | Under 18 | 18 & Over | TOTAL 2020 | TOTAL 2021 | YEAR |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|-----------|------------|------------|------|
| Jul-20 | 1 | 0 | 99 | 100 | | 2020 |
| Jul-21 | 1 | 0 | 104 | | 105 | 2021 |
| Aug-20 | 1 | 0 | 81 | 82 | | 2020 |
| Aug-21 | 3 | 3 | 97 | | 103 | 2021 |
| Sep-20 | 1 | 0 | 118 | 119 | | 2020 |
| Sep-21 | 0 | 0 | 124 | | 124 | 2021 |
| Oct-20 | 2 | 0 | 138 | 140 | | 2020 |
| Oct-21 | 1 | 0 | 123 | | 124 | 2021 |
| Nov-20 | 1 | 0 | 125 | 126 | | 2020 |
| Nov-21 | 1 | 0 | 129 | | 130 | 2021 |
| Dec-20 | 1 | 0 | 204 | 205 | | 2020 |
| Dec-21 | 2 | 0 | 120 | | 122 | 2021 |

3. Margam Crematorium were able to offer a respectful service to those suffering bereavement and to meet the needs of the public. At a time when services have been restricted to the number of invited guests of the family, webcasting of the service by Wesley Media has proved popular and invaluable. Services have been streamed across the world including Australia and New Zealand with many favourable comments being received. During the last financial year, over 300 services have been streamed. Members should note though that the Superintendent and officers will always work with families to accommodate their needs and in particular will undertake regular reviews of attendance numbers to ensure compliance with Welsh Government legislation and Statutory Guidance In addition, the Cremation Fee has remained unchanged since 1st April 2019 and was only nominally increased from the previous two years.

Integrated Impact Assessment

4. There is no requirement for an integrated impact assessment for this report as it is for information purposes only

Financial Impact

5. No impact

Workforce Impact

6. There are no workforce impacts associated with this report

Legal Impact

7. There are no legal impacts associated with this report

Consultation

8. There is no requirement of external consultation for this item

Recommendations

9. That members note the monthly comparison of cremations undertaken from July 2021 to December 2021

Appendices

10. None.

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