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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)
Request ID: REQ06657**

Thank you for your request for information relating to Cremations in 2019

Your request and our responses are outlined below:

1. How many cremations did your crematorium(s) perform in 2019?

We can confirm that 2410 cremations were performed in 2019.

2. How many of these cremations opted not to hold a service (also known as direct cremations) at your crematoria in 2019?

36 opted not to hold a service.

3. How many were committals in 2019?

336 were committals in 2019.

4. What is your current price for a standard funeral with a service held at Midday on a weekday including all relevant charges (environmental fee/medical referee fee/etc)? How many minutes long is this service allotted as standard?

The current price for a standard funeral with a service held at Midday on a weekday including all relevant charges is £885.

5. What is your current price for a direct cremation with no service including all relevant charges (environmental fee/medical referee fee/etc)?

£535 is the current price for a direct cremation with no service.

6. Do you charge any fees in addition to the standard cremation fee such as environmental fees, medical referee fees, improvement fund fees? If so, how much are these?

The Cremation fee includes a Medical Referee Fee (£32.50)

7. Do you have any refrigerated storage? If so, for how many deceased?

Yes, we have refrigerated storage for 3 deceased.

8. Do you currently fine those who overrun their allotted service times? If so, how much are fines and what was the total sum of fines in 2019?

The fine charge is £188, first 15 minutes and every following 15 minutes thereafter.

The total fines for 2019 - NIL

9. Do you currently or are you currently researching running the local authority's own funeral service?

We can advise that we are reviewing the possibility.

10. What was the profit/loss for crematorium and/or cemetery operations during the last fiscal year?

The Crematorium and Cemeteries are operated by the City Council as a service and any operating surpluses are used to fund the costs associated with the land and buildings that they occupy

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Yours faithfully

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