

The Legislative Framework

1 Do you agree that existing legislation relating to burial and cremation should be repealed and replaced by a new legislative framework?

Don't Know

Please enter any additional comments here:

I don't live in Scotland but have ancestors buried there in various places. I'm not opposed to anything that you plan but do adamantly believe that all paper work, records of burials, of reburials should be kept.

In doing research on my family I would like to have that information for my own records as well as for my children when they are older and may even visit Scotland and want to visit the cemeteries where the ancestors are.

Headstones should definitely be kept and not scrubbed out and reused. Pictures of these headstone are some of the best sources of information. I probably won't finish the rest of the survey unless I find something that pertains to what I've said above. Thanks for listening.

2 Are there any particular powers that are required by Burial Authorities or Cremation Authorities that are not provided for by current legislation?

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3 Do you agree that the proposed Burial and Cremation (Scotland) Bill should apply to all cemeteries and crematoria in Scotland, regardless of whether they are publically or privately operated? If not, please set out reasons why not.

No

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I don't really know but I would think there must be some cemeteries that are more important than others. Notable important persons from histories past should be left alone.

4 Do you agree that the Bill should contain provisions which apply to all facilities where any new method of disposal which might be introduced in Scotland are carried out?

Don't Know

Please enter any additional comments here.:

5 Do you agree that the Bill should contain provisions to regulate environmentally friendly methods of disposal that are already available in Scotland?

Yes

Please enter any additional comments here.:

6 Should the Burial and Cremation (Scotland) Bill contain provisions pertaining to home burial?

Yes

Please enter additional comments here:

7 In making legal provision for home burial, what factors should be considered?

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8 Are there are any reasons why private cremation should not remain illegal?

Don't Know

Please enter additional comments here:

9a Do you agree that alternative methods of disposing of the dead should be regulated for in this way?

Don't Know

9b Are there any particular alternative methods that should be considered?

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Probably - depends on which ones

9c Are there any particular methods which should be prevented from being used in Scotland?

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10 Do you agree with this definition of ashes? If not, how should ashes be defined?

Yes

If not, how should ashes be defined?:

11 Do you agree that a minimum distance of 200 yards (182.9 metres) should be required between crematoria and housing? If not, please explain why not.

Don't Know

If not, please explain why not.:

12 What are your views on the use of enforcement powers or penalty powers in response to such a minimum distance being breached?

Please enter your comments here.:

Burial and Cremation Records

20 Do you agree that records and forms relating to burial and cremation in Scotland should be stored and transferred electronically wherever possible?

Yes

Should any exclusions apply?:

Should this be applied to all forms of disposing of human remains in Scotland?:

Yes

21 Should records and forms relating to burial and cremation be kept for 50 years or is it better that they are kept indefinitely?

Indefinitely

If you specified 'other', please enter your comments below.:

Exhumation

45 Do you agree with the proposals to streamline the process for authorising exhumations, including an additionally streamlined process for particular categories of exhumation?

Not Answered

Please enter additional comments here.:

46 Do you agree with the proposal to provide an alternative process where the purpose of the exhumation is to allow the reuse of a full lair, including that the Burial Authority need not seek specific authorisation once it has carried out specified notifications that it intends to reuse the grave?

Not Answered

Please enter additional comments here:

47 Do you agree that authorisation for exhumations should be carried out by the inspector, rather than the Scottish Government?

Not Answered

Please enter additional comments here:

48 Do you agree with the proposed approach for the exhumation of cremated remains?

Not Answered

Please enter additional comments here.:

Cremation forms and procedures

51 Do you agree with the principle that a single form should be prescribed for applying for cremations or is it preferable that separate forms should be provided for applying for different categories of cremation?

Don't Know

Please set out your reasons for your view. :

52 Do you agree that each of these categories should be provided for in cremation application forms?

Don't Know

Please enter additional comments here.:

53 Do you agree that Form A should contain these options for any ashes which are recovered?

Don't Know

Please enter additional comments here:

54a Do you agree that no cremation which is applied for using Form A should be able to proceed unless the applicant has specified what should happen to the ashes?

Not Answered

Please enter additional comments here.:

54b Do the categories above cover all relevant options or should other options be offered?

Not Answered

Please enter additional comments here:

55 Do you agree that Form A should state that it may not be possible to recover ashes after the cremation of a very young child?

Not Answered

Please enter additional comments here.:

56a Is the process for enabling a person other than the applicant to collect any ashes recovered appropriate?

Don't Know

Please enter additional comments here.:

56b Are the timings proposed suitable?

Not Answered

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58a Do you agree that the application should be countersigned by someone who is not a member of the applicant's family and who is not involved in the arrangements for the cremation?

Not Answered

58b Will this prove impractical?

Not Answered

Please enter additional comments:

58c Should the legislation specify categories of people who may countersign cremation application forms?

Not Answered

Please enter additional comments.:

59 Should application for other categories of cremation require a countersignature?

Not Answered

Please enter additional comments here:

60a Given the similarities between the proposed forms, would a single application form applying to the cremation of people born alive and stillborn babies be appropriate, allowing for specific sections of the form to be completed depending on the kind of cremation?

Not Answered

60b Would separate forms for each category be more appropriate?

Not Answered

Please enter additional comments here.:

61 What information should be considered essential for the cremation application?

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62a What is the best way to enable Cremation Authorities to undertake this scrutiny?

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62b What level of seniority is appropriate for this role?

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62c Should the crematorium manager be legally responsible for this scrutiny, even if the actual scrutiny is delegated to a suitably senior member of staff?

Not Answered

62d Should a senior Cremation Authority staff member be required to countersign the form to confirm that all legal requirements have been met?

Not Answered

Please enter additional comments here.:

63 Is there any need for the introduction of statutory forms for applying for a burial?

Not Answered

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