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Ref: Inspection

Dear Chief Executive,

Crematorium Inspection – Final Report Inspection Date – 6th March 2023

Reference my previous letter requesting permission for a programmed inspection of Gwent Crematorium.

The inspection took place on 6th March 2023 and was undertaken by Mr Paul Rayson. It involved scrutinising 6 separate key areas of service delivery, through discussion and review of more than 80 points of interest. I should like to take this opportunity to thank the crematorium team for their cooperation.

I am pleased to be able to confirm that the inspection found the facility to be operating in accordance with the 3 key areas of compliance:

- 1. The Cremation Regulations 2009, relating to statutory documentation;
- 2. The Defra Process Guidance notes 5/12, relating to cremation;
- 3. The Code of Cremation Practice, relating to all aspects of the service.

In addition, the Crematorium Inspector found an excellent level of service provision and did not feel it necessary to make any recommendations.

As part of the Federations response to the climate emergency that society is now facing, the National Executive Committee have introduced the Environmental Awareness Report which was undertaken at the time of the inspection.

The purpose of the report is to highlight a range of environmental measures which crematoria are currently adopting across the UK and advise the Cremation Authority of how many they have introduced. It is an advisory report and does not constitute part of the compliance inspection. However, I hope you will find this helpful in developing your own response to the climate emergency.

I have attached the Final Report, and should you need any assistance with this, please do not hesitate to contact us.

The next scheduled visit will be in 3 years. If you should require an earlier inspection or would like to arrange a further visit for advice or information, we will be happy to discuss your requirements along with any costs which may be incurred.

Yours sincerely

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