

**To the Chairperson and Members of the
South East Area Committee**

**Part 8 Notification for information purposes only
Development of Columbarium Walls, at Donnybrook Graveyard, Donnybrook Road**

A draft Burial Places Strategy (see attached) was presented to and noted by the Arts, Culture, Leisure and Recreation SPC, in May 2021. One of the primary actions of the draft Burial Places Strategy is the provision of Columbarium Walls.

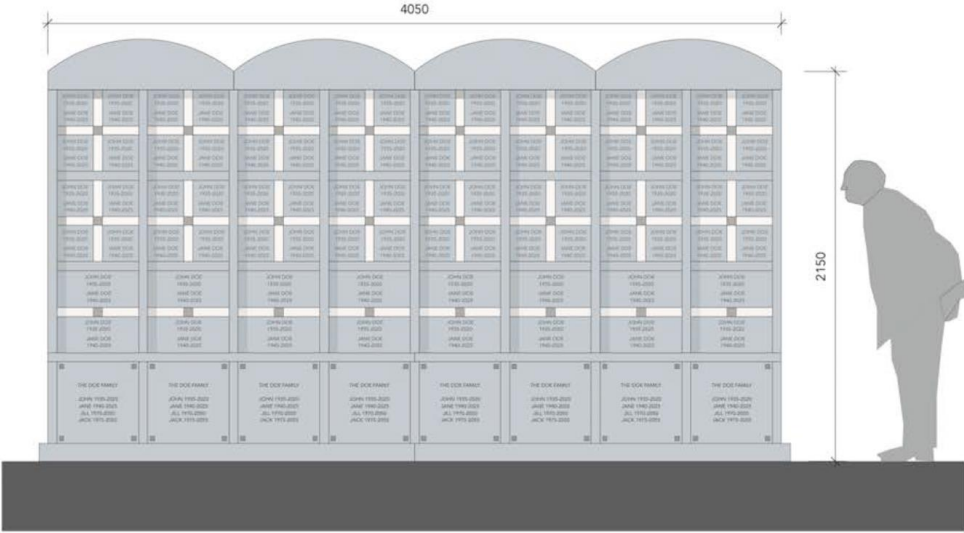
Donnybrook graveyard is the first of four potential sites selected for the proposed future installation of columbarium walls. This site is considered to have the best visual and landscape character 'capacity' for an initial columbarium wall proposal and therefore was chosen as the pilot project.

As per best practice, a conservation management plan and an archaeological assessment were commissioned to better understand Donnybrook graveyard and consider detail design issues such as specific wall positions. The draft plan (attached drawing No. 20-02, P-01) is informed by those studies. The draft plan shows the 6 no. potential locations for the columbarium walls and highlights the location of the pilot project (position number 1.). The proposals also include for the potential future re-opening of the original graveyard entrance and proposed nearby parking spaces for bereaved visitors.

The proposed columbarium walls require Part 8 approval and also require Ministerial Consent for the National Monument, before a pilot project may be installed. The proposed columbarium walls will be constructed of natural stone and contain a combination of small, medium and large size niches. These niches may house individual, couple and family urns, with plaques, as shown in typical elevation below.

Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services seeks approval of the South East Area Committee of their intentions to initiate a Part 8 application, in September 2021.

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Proposed Typical Columbarium Wall Elevation (7LArchitect's work in progress – July 2020)