

**Oldham Borough Council  
Record of Decision**



1. **TITLE:** Chadderton Cemetery extension
2. **SERVICE AREA:** Environment Directorate
3. **PURPOSE OF DECISION**

It is estimated that the current capacity for burial in all of Oldham Council's seven managed cemeteries is approximately 37 years.

There is a disused area adjacent to Chadderton Cemetery that could be developed into an extension area of Chadderton Cemetery and extend the overall burial capacity in the Borough from 37 to a possible 57 years.

4. **DECISION MADE BY:** Director of Environment
5. **DECISION:**

RESOLVED – That the Director of Environment be authorised to:

- a. designate the area for an extension to the existing Chadderton Cemetery.
- b. tender for a feasibility study to ensure the area, designated, is suitable for burials.

6. **REASON FOR DECISION**

To identify land adjacent to Chadderton cemetery that can be developed into an extension area of Chadderton Cemetery to extend the lifespan of the Borough's overall burial capacity.

7. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

1. To do nothing – which means acceptance that burial provision in Oldham has a limited time span, and after this period burials may have to take place outside Oldham's cemeteries.
2. To designate the area at Old North Chadderton School for an extension to the existing Cemetery, tender for a feasibility study to ensure the area is suitable for burial.
3. To identify another suitable area within Oldham to develop a multi faith cemetery.

8. **INTERESTS AND NATURE OF INTERESTS DECLARED**

None

9. **PRINCIPAL GROUPS CONSULTED:** Not applicable

10. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** Chadderton Cemetery extension file