Cemeteries and Crematoria (Public Cemetery Fees) Determination 2018 (No 1)

Disallowable Instrument DI 2018 - 134

made under the

Cemeteries and Crematoria Act 2003, Section 49 (Determination of fees)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Cemeteries and Crematoria Act 2003 (the Act) regulates the operation of cemeteries and crematoria. Section 49 of the Act provides the Minister with the power to determine fees for the purposes of the Act.

Public cemeteries and crematoria are managed by the ACT Public Cemeteries Authority (the Authority). The Authority is required to operate on a sound financial basis.

This determination revokes the previous fee determination (DI2017-46) that set fees for the 2017-2018 financial year and establishes fees from 1 July 2018.

The determination increases fees by approximately 8.5% for the majority of services provided, this is to phase fee increases which were recommended in a report commissioned by the Regulator of the Act to ensure there is adequate funding in the Perpetual Care Trust Reserve to meet the requirements of the Act.

New fees have been introduced in relation to subsequent interments into shared tree allotments, hiring of the Gungahlin Memorial Hall, applying for an exhumation and service fee relating to plaque design.