Dear Sirs/Madam.

Re: COVID19 Change to Burial Procedures

We are working hard to keep everything running smoothly but need to put some changes in place and may need to bring in further restrictions based on Central Government or local Resilience Forum advice.

We will endeavour to keep you updated by email. Please email me at ------ @wyre.gov.uk to ensure I have you on the mailing list.

Graveside services at all our sites will continue. We please ask you to implement social distancing and protection methods as advised by the government and the National Association of Funeral Directors. It has been recommended that no more than 25 close family members and friends should attend a funeral.

Dropping papers off - Please drop papers in the front door letter box at the Civic Centre and ensure you ring our office to advise they have been left. There may be the option to send all paperwork by electronic format, please see future emails for updates.

CEMETERY

Chapel Services – Poulton Cemetery chapel is no longer available, unfortunately the guidance suggested has made it impossible for us to offer this service.

Graveside - Immediate family only to be in the vicinity and must keep a respectful distance (6 feet / 2 meters) to allow for the putlogs to be removed.

The family soil box has been removed to reduce cross contamination and keep social distancing in place. Please look at alternatives for example, individual flowers.

Things are changing very quickly so we may have to prioritise and de-prioritise work accordingly. Two way communication will be critical. Do let me know if there are any more measures you think we should be taking and I will keep you up to date with what we are doing.

Thank you for your support. Please stay well and safe. We will get through this by supporting each other in this important and empathetic service to the community.

If you have any questions regarding this please do not hesitate to contact me on 01253 -----. Please ensure you contact me via Email _----@wyre.gov.uk to be included in all future correspondence.

Yours sincerely

Bereavement Services Officer