end of the rose garden area is needed. There are also several other small areas of land which could potentially be developed in a similar method; again this will be dependent on demand.

New Technologies and Options for Burial

A growing trend in the United Kingdom is the establishment of a natural burial site. This process involves the body being buried in an environmentally friendly manner with no embalming or casket. The body is enclosed with a shroud or cardboard coffin at a depth of one meter. The site is then covered with compost soil mix and planted with eco-sourced native plants. The overall aim is to restore an area back to native bush/park. These options for natural burial have yet to be approved by Council.

Gravesites maintenance

At Karori Cemetery, Council will accept that it needs to take increased responsibility for maintaining the gravesites, however individuals will still be encouraged to assist.

Security

At both cemeteries procedures will be implemented to limit damage to gravesites and other assets. This includes automatic gate locking after hours, staff awareness and security patrols when needed.

8.8 Outcomes of Consultation for Cemeteries and Crematoria

There were no submissions directed at Cemeteries and Crematoria

8.9 Future recommendations for Cemeteries and Crematoria

Makara Cemetery is one third full and there is a need to consider plans for opening new areas for burial within the cemetery, which take into account planting, road access and services.