

Scattering of Ashes

Ashes may be scattered in the Garden of Remembrance, for which a fee will be charged.

Bramford Parish Council are custodians of the cemetery, and wish to provide a quiet, sympathetic environment where you can remember and mourn your loved one.

We would ask that you help to keep the cemetery looking tidy by not leaving litter, by clearing away dead flowers (if possible), by not allowing dogs to foul the area, and by keeping tributes to within the space provided around the headstone. This enables maintenance to be carried out efficiently.

If you have any problems at the cemetery, please contact the Clerk who will deal with the problem immediately, if she can, and if not will report it to the council at the next opportunity.

We hope you will enjoy the environment that we have created for you.

Bramford Lawn Cemetery

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leaflet,
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Interments

The normal grave plot is 2.75 metres by 1.22 metres and may be either a purchased grave or a common grave.

Cremated remains must always be interred in a purchased grave which may be either one of the small special plots reserved for this purpose, or a family grave for which exclusive rights of burial have already been granted for a previous interment.

Purchased Graves

Exclusive rights of burial may be purchased for any grave, or to inter cremated remains.

The grant of burial rights is at the discretion of the Council upon receipt of the appropriate fee, and will be for a period of 50 years.

Burial rights may be applied for at any time. A common grave may be purchased by the relatives or friends of the first interment provide no second interment has taken place.

The Council does not undertake the digging of graves, which is the responsibility of the undertaker, who is also responsible for the re-turfing of the surface of the grave immediately after burial in such a way to allow for settlement.

The Council is allowed in law to do anything necessary to maintain good order and condition of the cemetery. All paths, headstones, planting etc., can be changed if it

becomes necessary. We will make all reasonable attempts to notify the persons who may be affected by the change.

The Council cannot undertake the tending of individual graves, and is responsible only for the general upkeep and good order of the burial ground as a whole.

Memorials

All gravestones, monuments or other memorials of any description and all inscriptions on them must be approved by the Council, and the appropriate fee paid before erection.

The following types of memorial are **not** permitted:-

Kerbstones which enclose a plot.

Flower beds that need tending.

Wooden memorials of any kind.

On a burial grave only the following type of memorial will be permitted:-

A vase, cross or headstone not exceeding 92cm in height with the base contained within the allocated area.

On a cremated remains plot only the following type of memorial will be permitted:-

A memorial not exceeding 60cm in height, or a flat tablet not exceeding 50cm square with the plinth contained within the plot size.

The memorials must not be anchored to the ground in any way, and the Council reserves the right to temporarily remove and subsequently reinstate them to facilitate other interments in the grave.

All memorials must carry the grave number (figures only) in a clearly visible position.

All memorials must be kept neat, clean and in good repair at the owner's expense. In default of which they shall be forfeited to the Council which will then be entitled to remove or repair them as the Council deem fit.

Floral tributes must be placed in the area beside the headstone and must not overflow onto the grass.

The Council has the right to remove any monument, memorial or gravestone placed otherwise than in accordance with a grant or approval given by its predecessor, or may recover the cost as a simple contract debt from the person who ordered it to be placed, or (if he/she is dead) from his/her personal representatives within two years of it being placed.

Please allow sufficient time to allow the grave to settle before erecting a memorial, six months is advised.

On cremation plots please allow enough room between headstones to allow the grass to be cut efficiently.