



Yatton Parish Council

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BURIAL GROUND RULES AND REGULATIONS

BURIAL PLOTS

1. No mound or kerbstones are permitted.
2. Limited and conditional cultivation is permitted such that;
 - Cultivation does not encroach upon adjacent plots (in any direction) or impede regular maintenance of the grassed footways by the Parish Council.
 - Extreme care is taken in the choice of plants. Trees or shrubs will not be permitted.
 - Where doubt exists that plants intended for planting will comply with these Regulations, seek expert horticultural advice **BEFORE** they are planted. Failure to do this may result in the plants being considered unacceptable, and the Council will not accept liability for their loss or for distress that may be caused to family or friends of the deceased.
 - If the appearance of a plot gives rise to the impression it is being neglected, the Parish Council reserves the right to take remedial action and to return the plot to its original state.

CREMATION PLOTS

1. No mound or kerbstones are permitted.
2. No cultivation of any description is permitted on a cremation plot. Floral tributes should not extend beyond the limits of the foundation slab.

IF THE PARISH COUNCIL BELIEVES THESE RULES HAVE BEEN CONTRAVENED, IT WILL SEEK (BY MUTUAL CONSENT IF PRACTICALLY POSSIBLE), THE REMEDIAL ACTION WHICH THE COUNCIL CONSIDERS NECESSARY. IF THIS DOES NOT PROVE POSSIBLE, THE PARISH COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REMOVE THE OFFENDING PLANTS THEMSELVES. IT IS ANTICIPATED A PERIOD OF 6 WEEKS' NOTICE WILL BE GIVEN BEFORE DIRECT INTERVENTION OCCURS.

Burial Rights

The exclusive right of burial, when granted extends for a period not exceeding 70 years from the date of the grant. On the occasion of a re-opening a further grant may be permitted upon payment of the appropriate fee(s) as then applicable. The then current terms and conditions apply.

PERMITTED MEMORIALS

A memorial /tablet may be placed on a grave subject to payment of fee where the exclusive Right of Burial has been purchased.

** All memorials must be erected or re-erected to a minimum National Association of Memorial Masons (NAMM) standard**

Burial Plot

- A headstone not exceeding 3' high by 2'6" wide x 4" thick on a base not exceeding 3' by 1'6" x 4" which may include provision of a sunken vase(s); placed on a prepared concrete foundation slab not exceeding 3' x 2' and 2" minimum depth.
- A vase as an alternative to a headstone on a base not exceeding 2' by 1' and not exceeding 1' overall in height.
- A cremation wedge not exceeding 18" x 18" may be placed at the base of a headstone. A maximum of 3" high if butted up to the headstone and 4" high if away from the headstone.

Cremation Plot/ Cremation Wedge

- A tablet for cremated remains not exceeding 6" high and 1'10" wide x 15" depth (back to front) on a prepared concrete foundation slab, not exceeding 2' by 2'4", which may include provision of a sunken vase(s) at the front of foundation slab.

Either Plot

- Portrait or photograph not exceeding 5" by 3".

Garden of Remembrance

- A bronze plaque measuring 6" by 4" secured by two screws only

Fees on application



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For the purpose of this document, the designated officer is the Clerk to the Parish Council and is herein referred to as the Clerk.

Regulations made by the Council of the Parish of Yatton in the district of North Somerset under article 3 of the Local Authorities Cemeteries Order 1977 for the Management of Cemeteries for which the Parish Council is the Burial Authority.

1. The person arranging the burial shall notify the Clerk in all cases where the deceased suffered from a notifiable infectious disease or was exposed to radiation.
2. **PRIOR** to every interment, notice must be given to the Clerk between 9am and 5pm on Mondays to Fridays with the exclusion of Public Holidays and all fees and charges shall then be paid.
3. Notice of interment shall be given on the printed form supplied by the Clerk on which all the particulars requested shall be clearly stated. Responsibility for any error or omission shall rest upon the person signing the notice.
4. Notice of interment may be accepted by telephone but shall be subject to confirmation by the completion of the proper form.
5. Not less than forty-eight hours notice shall be given for an interment. In computing this time Sundays and Public Holidays shall be excluded. A longer period of notice may be required where in the opinion of the Clerk a grave cannot be prepared within the minimum period of notice.
6. After notice of interment has been given, any alteration required in the arrangements will be subject to the consent of the Clerk. An additional charge might be imposed if such alteration is likely to involve the Council in any additional expense.

7. All fees and charges shall be paid to the Office of the Parish Council.
8. The Council accepts no liability for any consequences arising from the loss or delay in delivery of any notice order or other documents sent by post.
9. **Application for permission to erect or place a memorial or marker on a grave space shall be made on a form obtained from the Clerk, prior to the placement and which must be accompanied by the requisite fee.**
10. Burial rights can only be purchased at the time of an interment or at a subsequent re-opening
11. Only Village residents and absent members of the immediate family have rights of interment in the Parish Council burial ground. Exceptions can be made at the discretion of the Clerk and double fees will be charged if the deceased was not an inhabitant of the Parish for at least 12 months when death occurred.
- 12a. Only **TWO** cremations allowed in a cremation plot.
- 12b. **THREE** burials allowed in one burial plot.
13. The Council reserves the right to revoke or amend any of the foregoing regulations from time to time.