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Woodstock Town Council

Woodstock Lawn Cemetery, Green Lane - Rules and Regulations

Please note that only residents of the Town or people with a strong link to the Town will be eligible to have a plot in the Green Lane Lawn cemetery as their final resting place.

Masons working in the Woodstock cemeteries should be on the British Register of Accredited Memorial Masons (BRAMM) to ensure that acceptable standards of fixing are maintained.

Reservations

Next of kin of an existing family member to be buried in the cemetery can reserve one plot, at the time of burial, adjacent to the proposed grave if it is available.

Memorials

No memorial or vase shall be erected except over a grave in respect of which exclusive right of burial has been granted.

Headstones for Burials

The maximum overall footprint of a headstone in the lawn cemetery (inclusive of the foundation stone and plinth) should not exceed 36 inches (90 cm) in height and 30 inches (75 cm) in width. The depth from the front to back of the foundation stone should not exceed 18 inches (45 cm). The memorial stone itself should not exceed 4 inches (10cm) in thickness.

Headstones for Cremations

The maximum overall footprint of a headstone in the lawn cemetery (inclusive of the foundation stone and plinth) should not exceed 24 inches (60cm) in height and 18 inches (45 cm) in width. The depth from the front to back of the foundation stone should not exceed 18 inches (45 cm). The memorial stone itself should not exceed 4 inches (10cm) in thickness. Please contact the Town Clerk on 01993 811216 for an illustration of these dimensions.

All inscriptions, additional inscriptions and memorial designs must be approved by the Town Clerk before work is started.

Kerb Stones

No kerb stones are permitted.

Memorial Maintenance, Safety and Responsibility.

The families commissioning the memorials remain responsible for the maintenance of memorials throughout the duration of their exclusive right of burial. In default thereof the Town Council reserves the right to take whatever action it deems fit to preserve the safety and amenity of the site. Planting shrubs, trees, etc. in the cemetery is **not allowed**. The Town Council reserves the right to take appropriate remedial action as required.

All memorials shall remain the sole risk of the owner of the Exclusive Right of Burial of the grave plot and the Town Council shall not be responsible for any damage or breakages which may occur through adverse weather conditions or vandalism. For safety purposes, memorials removed for the purpose of interments shall be taken away from the Cemetery by the funeral directors or their agents pending reinstatement.

Flowers

Flower holders should be incorporated within the memorial or positioned by the headstone or at the head of the grave if no stone is in place. They should not be positioned further down the length of the grave as this prevents the grass from being mowed. Glass receptacles are not allowed for health and safety reasons.