



**NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**SCRUTINY PANEL 1 – CEMETERIES**

**9 NOVEMBER 2017**

**BRIEFING NOTE: FEES AND CHARGES –**  
**NEIGHBOURING AUTHORITIES**

**1 INTRODUCTION**

1.1 At its September meeting, Scrutiny Panel 1 (Cemeteries) agreed that it would receive details regarding fees and charges for burials and cremations from neighbouring authorities:

- Kettering Borough Council
- Wellingborough Borough Council
- Rugby Borough Council

**2 KETTERING BOROUGH COUNCIL**

2.1 Information regarding fees and charges for burials and cremations has been gathered from Kettering Borough Council and is detailed below:

**Schedule of Charges**

**As from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017**

<b>Crematorium Fees</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£ 2017/2018</b>
Cremation Fee	598.00	Over 18's only
Medical Referee	18.00	Over 18's only
Environmental Fee	<u>120.00</u>	Over 18's only
<b>Total Crematorium Fee</b>		<b>736.00</b>

Crematorium Music Fee (Inc VAT)		<u>75.00</u>
(Invoiced directly from Crematorium Music Ltd)		
<b>Total Fee For Cremation Inc Crematorium Music Fee</b>		<b><u>811.00</u></b>
Saturday Cremation Fee (All Services)	902.00	
Medical Referee	18.00	
Environmental Fee	<u>120.00</u>	
		1040.00
Total Crematorium Fee		<u>75.00</u>
Crematorium Music Fee (inc VAT)		
(Invoiced directly from Crematorium Music Ltd)		
<b>Total Fee For Cremation Inc Crematorium Music Fee</b>		<b><u>1115.00</u></b>
Pre-Paid Cremation Plan (music not included)		
Medical Referee	635.00	
Environmental Fee	18.00	
	<u>120.00</u>	
Total for Pre-paid cremation Plan		<b><u>773.00</u></b>
<b>Ancillary Charges</b>		
Scatter No Witness (free of charge)		00.00
Scatter With Witness		32.00
Scatter cremated remains from away		40.00
Ashes on hold – per month or part thereof		50.00
Use of Additional Crematorium Chapel Time		130.00
(Excluding Crematorium Music Fee)		
<b>Mausoleum Charges</b>		<b>£</b>

Mausoleum Chamber (Subject to availability, contact Bereavement Services for details) Dimensions:- 2m long x .903m wide x .690m high	<b>5000.00</b>
<b>Cemetery Fees</b>	<b>2017/2018</b>
Purchase of Exclusive Right of Burial	
Baby or Childs Grave (6' x 3' x 4')	99 years 320.00
<b>Interment Fee</b>	185.00
Single Depth Adult Grave (9' x 4' x 4'6")	99 years 595.00
<b>Interment Fee</b>	520.00
Double Depth Adult Grave (9' x 4' x 6'3")	99 years 960.00
<b>Interment Fee</b>	635.00
Cremated Remains Plot (4' x 3' x 2'6")	99 years 525.00
<b>Interment Fee</b>	240.00
Right to construct a brick chamber or vault (additional to interment fee and excluding building works)	400.00
Use of Crematorium Chapel (Excluding Organists Fee)	130.00
Re-Assignment of the Exclusive Right of Burial	50.00
<b>Green Burial – Rothwell Cemetery Only</b>	

<b>Fee</b>	
Single Graves Only	960.00
<b>Reservations</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>(Excluding Rothwell Road)</b>	
Reserving 1 plot only at the time of interment –  (Excluding Exclusive Right) – relates to Broughton, Rothwell & Desborough Only – all other cemeteries will incur the reservation fee.	As Above
All other reservations – (Pre purchase excluding Exclusive Right of Burial)	1935.00
<b>Fees for the Right to Place a memorial or headstone on a grave where the Exclusive Right of Burial has been purchased – From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015.</b>	<b>2017/2018</b>
Additional inscription	70.00
<b>Fees for the Right to Place a memorial or headstone on a grave where the Exclusive Right of Burial has been purchased – Before 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015</b>	
Headstone (or footstone) including 1 <sup>st</sup> inscription	125.00
Full kerb memorial (each grave space) including 1 <sup>st</sup> inscription	215.00
Additional inscription	70.00

<b>Exhumation</b>	
Cost of exhumation of a full grave space in addition to the cost of opening the grave.	2045.00
Cost of exhumation of a cremated remains plot in addition to the cost of opening the grave.	395.00

### **3 NOTE FOR BURIAL FEES**

- 4 Any person in permanent residence within the Borough of Kettering at the time of death may be buried in a cemetery of the Authority at the basic fees determined in the Authority's fees and charges applicable at that time.
- 5 Any person not in permanent residence within the Borough at the time of death but who had been resident and been required to move out of the area for circumstances beyond their control e.g. health care issues, armed forces etc. – subject to evidence of previous residency and reason for relocation may be buried in a cemetery of the Authority at the basic fees determined in the Authority's fees and charges.
- 6 Any person not in permanent residence within the Borough at the time of death and not meeting the requirements of the paragraph above may be buried in a cemetery of the Authority at the basic fees determined in the Authority's fees and charges **multiplied by 4.**
- 7 Where the deceased is a child (under 18) then the above paragraphs apply and evidence of the parent's residency may be required.
- 8 **Note:** *Details of the person for whom an exclusive right of burial is being purchased in advance will be required and residency checks may be carried out.*

### 3 WELLINGBOROUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

#### 3.1 Fees and charges 2016/2017:

<b>CEMETERIES</b>	<b>CHARGES 2016/17 £</b>
<b>EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS</b>	
Earth Graves (9ft x 4ft)	368.00
Childs Plot (4ft x 3ft)	180.00
Memorial Garden (2ft x 2ft)	120.00
Burial Chambers (Double or Single)	359.10
Ashes Memorial Chamber (including Plaque)	299.10
Family Ashes Plot	438.00
Mausolea – Purchase, facia tablet and inscription	3264.10
<b>Purchaser if a Non-inhabitant (applies to purchase of Exclusive Rights only)</b>	<b>Add 100% to above charges</b>
<b>INTERMENTS</b>	
<b>Public and Purchased Graves Monday – 11.30am Friday</b>	
Under 16 yrs	0
Adult 16yrs + at 6ft/4ft 6 depth	358.10
Burial Chamber – 4ft 6 Interment	262.90
Burial Chamber – 6ft Interment	476.20
<b>Mausolea</b>	753.60
<b>Garden of Rest - Cremated Remains GOR1</b>	83.80
<b>Family Ashes Plot</b>	83.80
<b>Ashes Memorial Chambers - Cremated Remains GOR2</b>	77.50
<b>Deceased was a Non-inhabitant (applies to Interment Fee)</b>	<b>Add 100% to above charges</b>
<b>Friday (After 11.30am to 3.30pm), Saturday (9.00am – 10.30am) (Applies to ALL interments)</b>	<b>Add 50% to basic charges</b>
<b>MEMORIALS</b>	
Headstone or other monument	182.20
Vase or Tablet	33.10
Kerb	103.50
Headstone Additional Inscriptions	51.70
Replacement Headstones	58.90
Replacement Tablet	23.00
Tablet Additional Inscriptions	17.00
<b>Deceased was a Non-inhabitant (applies to Memorial applicants)</b>	<b>Add 100% to above charges</b>
<b>A Non-inhabitant is a person who has not resided in the Borough for at least one year, in the five year period prior to the Memorial application, Interment or Exclusive Right</b>	

<b>CEMETERIES</b>	<b>CHARGES 2016/17 £</b>
<b>Other</b>	
Use of Chapel	36.10
Use of Organ	36.10
Grave Search Fee	40.20
Exhumation	Cost
Exhumation of Ashes	Cost
<b>MAINTENANCE OF GRAVES</b>	
Levelling and turfing grassed graves on one occasion	85.80
Maintaining other graves for 25 years	703.90
Planting on a single occasion	58.90
Spring and Summer flowers for 25 years	1408.90

## **4 RUGBY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

### **4.1 Current fees and charges for Rainsbrook Crematorium:**

#### **Cremation Fees**

Prices inclusive of organist fee, scattering fee and Environmental Levy

Child - up to and including 15 years of age: no charge

Adult - service (9am to 4.45pm): £795

Adult - no service (from 8.15am): £550

Cremation of body parts: price on application

#### **Weekend Surcharge**

Saturday (10am to 12 noon, strict rotation): £500

Saturday scattering of cremated remains (AM only): £75

Saturday interment of cremated remains (AM only): £150

#### **Cremation Sundry Fees and Charges**

Scattering of ashes when cremation has taken place elsewhere: £25

Supply of casket (with name plate): from £60

Forwarding cremated remains by post (inland): price on application

Audio recording of services: £50

DVD recording of service: £60

Subsequent copies: £40

Webcast: £75

Use of Rainsbrook Ceremony Room only (no cremation): £200

Bearer's fee (advance booking only): £20

Memorial flowers: £40 (medium) or £60 (large)

## **5 CONCLUSIONS**

- 5.1 That the information provided informs the evidence base of this Scrutiny Review.

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