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REGULATIONS COVERING SHAFTESBURY ROAD CEMETERY, WILTON

Persons having rights of burial in Wilton Cemetery are set out below.

- a). A parishioner
- b). Any person who owns an exclusive right of burial in the Burial Ground.
- c). Any parishioner leaving the parish to be admitted to hospital or a home or for some exceptional circumstance and who subsequently dies there.
- d). All other cases at the discretion of the Town Clerk, at treble the normal fees

The Town Clerk's decision under clauses c and d above shall be final.

A list of the current fees is set out at the end of this information booklet.

Plans of the Cemetery are kept at the Town Council Office and may be seen, by appointment, during Council office hours, without charge. A copy of these rules and regulations, table of fees etc. may also be obtained.

All Burial Records are kept at the Town Council Office and will be made available, by appointment, to individuals with an established interest who request information from the Town Clerk during normal Council office hours.

The allocation of all grave spaces and plots for cremated remains is subject to agreement and the approval of the Town Clerk. Allocation of grave spaces shall be subject to payment of fees applicable at the time of allocation and shall be in force for a period of one hundred years once interment has taken place. All Exclusive Right of Burial grants may be renewed at the prevailing rate. Further fees are payable at the prevailing rate upon an interment taking place in an allocated space.

The Council will maintain the Cemetery in a good and decent order. The Town Council reserves the right to prune, cut down or remove any shrubs or trees within the Cemetery at any time in order to maintain decent order.

Re-opening of Graves and Cremation Plots for further interments:

Permission in writing from the surviving relative or executor must be submitted to the Town Council when a grave is to be re opened. There shall be no disturbance of any previous burial.

Applications for Burials

1. No burials shall take place without the prior permission of the Town Clerk.
2. All applications for Burials shall be made in writing to the Town Clerk and the appropriate fees are to be paid to the Town Clerk by the applicant at the same time as the application.
3. Such applications must allow a minimum of 48 hours notice excluding weekends, Public and Bank holidays.
4. Such application shall state who is to conduct the Burial Service, and if a Minister is required, the applicant shall arrange for the attendance of the Minister himself.
5. The digging and reinstatement of graves will be the responsibility of the appointed Funeral Director. The grave digger should remove and dispose of any left-over soil once the grave is filled. Any subsequent issues concerning the levelling of the grave must be referred to the funeral director concerned, as this issue is not the responsibility of the Town Council. Please note that when graves are dug, the spoil is placed on a tarpaulin sheet on an adjacent grave. This is a temporary arrangement, and will be rectified as soon as possible.
6. Nothing shall be erected or planted in the Cemetery or Garden of Remembrance without prior written permission and no raised mounds shall be made.

Memorials

1. No Memorial of any kind shall be erected in the cemetery, nor any inscription cut on any memorial stone, without prior written permission of the Town Clerk. The design and inscription shall be submitted to the Town Clerk for approval before the order for the memorial is placed. All memorial stones or tablets to be erected in parallel rows. The stone mason must remove any waste arising from the cemetery.
2. The application must include a sketch / drawing with measurements and nature of the proposed memorial, along with full details of the proposed inscription. Please note that the kerb stones should not encroach into the adjacent grave space. This is to allow access for grounds maintenance.
3. For the purpose of these regulations a memorial stone is defined as concrete or stone.
 - a) Memorial Stone to be mounted vertically on its base and the top of base is to be set flush with ground level.

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- b) Base to be erected as per Town Council instructions.
- c) Tablet to be set flush with ground level.
- d) No other monuments will be permitted.
- e) The Town Clerk reserves the right to require amendments to ensure compliance with this regulation.

4. The applicant or family of the deceased is responsible for care of the memorial. The Town Council cannot accept any liability for any damage unless it is caused by its employees or contractors carrying out maintenance work.

Any memorial that is found to be loose must be secured to provide stability. It is the responsibility of the owner to arrange for this to be done. An application to re-fix a memorial must be made to the Town Council before any work is started.

Where a memorial has deteriorated or become unstable, the Town Council will attempt to contact the applicant or surviving family by posting a notice or sending a letter to the last known address of the owner in order that repairs can be carried out. Should this not be possible or the relatives fail to act within a reasonable time (6 months) then the Town Council may move any such memorials without further notice.

Vases and flower containers

No glass or china vases or containers are permitted.

Wilton Town Council reserves the right from time to time to make alterations or additions to the foregoing regulations.

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SHAFTESBURY ROAD CEMETERY FEES

WITH EFFECT FROM 1 APRIL 2017

NB – INTERMENT FEES FOR GRAVE SPACES AND EXCLUSIVE RIGHT OF BURIAL FEES ARE DOUBLE IF THE DECEASED WAS NOT A WILTON RESIDENT

1. INTERMENT FEES – GRAVE

Child upto 1 year old:	£0.00
Child aged 1 – 17 years old:	£0.00
Adult (ie 18 years and over):	£300.00
Fee if deceased was not a resident of Wilton:	£600.00

2. INTERMENT FEES FOR CREMATED REMAINS

Grave in respect of which an exclusive right of burial	£110.50
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has been granted:
Scattering remains on a grave, or in the Garden of Remembrance: £55.00

3. EXCLUSIVE RIGHT OF BURIAL

Purchase (Burial):
Non resident adult: £450.00
Resident adult (18 years and over): £300.00
Child (aged 1 – 17 years): £160.00
Purchase (Cremated remains): £130.00

4. MEMORIALS

For the right to erect or place a memorial on a grave, in respect of which the exclusive right to burial has been granted:

A flat stone:
Not exceeding 2'x 2', laid into the ground, and having no kerbing or other protrusion: £51.00
A headstone, to include a single inscription:
Not exceeding 3' high: £92.00
Exceeding 3' high but not exceeding 6'
For each inscription/item after the first: £51.00
Kerbs: £205.00
A movable vase: £46.00
Cremation Area Only
Flat stone 1'x 1' single: £46.00
Flat stone 15"x 12" double: £51.00