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BURIAL GROUND, CHURCH LANE, DRAYTON, ABINGDON

FEES AND CHARGES TO TAKE EFFECT FROM THE 6th SEPTEMBER 2016 FIXED UNDER SECTION 15 OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES CEMETERIES ORDER 1977, AS APPROVED BY DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL.

The fees and charges set out in Parts 1 and 3 below apply where the person to be interred is, or immediately before their death was, an inhabitant or parishioner of the Parish of Drayton, Abingdon, or, in the case of a stillborn child, where the parents (or one of them) were, or at the time of interment are, such inhabitants or parishioners. In all other cases the fees set out in Part 1 will be charged.

The fees prescribed in Part 2 shall apply in all cases.

PART 1 INTERMENTS

The fees indicated:

- (a) Do not include the digging of the grave.
- (b) Apply only where the interment is made between the hours of 10.00am and 5.00pm on Monday to Saturday, or where the Certificate of a Coroner or Registered Medical Practitioner states that immediate interment is necessary. In any other case an additional £48.00 is payable.

Please note also that:

- (c) Burial costs comprise of the charge for the exclusive right of burial for a period of 75 years and the interment fee. The Exclusive Right of Burial includes memorial rights (subject to the approvals and fees required – see Part 2 below), which are also granted for a period of 75 years, coterminous with the Exclusive Right of Burial.
- (d) The Exclusive Right of Burial can be registered in no more than three joint names
- (e) Interment fees do not apply to the body of a stillborn child or any person whose age at the time of death did not exceed 16 years.
- (f) Ashes may not be scattered in the graveyard, but must be interred in a grave in a hole dug to legal requirements by an approved gravedigger.
- (g) Funerals must be supervised by an approved undertaker

Charges to be £55/£110/£125 & £250

Earthen Graves

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| 1. For the purchase of the exclusive right of burial of an inhabitant or parishioner (see note *) in an earthen grave | £125.00 |
| 2. For the purchase of the exclusive right of burial of a non-inhabitant or non-parishioner in an earthen grave | £250.00 |
| 3. For the interment of an inhabitant or parishioner (see note *) over 16 years of age in an earthen grave | £55.00 |
| 4. For the interment of a non-inhabitant or non-parishioner over 16 years of age in an earthen grave | £110.00 |

Cremated Remains

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| 5. For the purchase of exclusive right of burial of a plot for ashes of an inhabitant or parishioner (see note *) | £55.00 |
| 6. For the purchase of exclusive right of burial of a plot for ashes of a non-inhabitant or non-parishioner (see note *) | £110.00 |
| 7. For the interment of cremated remains of an inhabitant or parishioner (see note *) over 16 years of age in an earthen grave | £55.00 |
| 8. For the interment of cremated remains of a non-inhabitant or non-parishioner over 16 years of age in an earthen grave | £110.00 |

** For the purposes of this table the terms 'inhabitant' and 'parishioner' shall include any person who has resided in the Parish at any time during his or her life for a continuous period of 15 years, or for two years prior to their decease; with discretion in any event for the Burial Authority to waive or reduce such fees or charges where deemed by it to be expedient.*

PART 2 MONUMENTS

Drayton Parish Council Burial Ground is a low maintenance lawn-grass cemetery. The Parish Council arranges and funds grass cutting and ensures that grass on graves which families can no longer maintain is kept clipped. Memorial installations must therefore consist only of a headstone or tablet. The only other permitted installations are kerbstones which must be set flush with the ground to allow mowing to take place. Kerbstones must be secured with the minimum of mortar. The grave area must not be in-filled with any permanent concrete or stone installation, but must be kept as earth. In recognition that families may not be local and able to tend graves regularly, temporary use of an overlay with a weed-proof membrane and infill with gravel or chippings is permitted but the Council reserves the right to remove these and restore the area to grass if the grave is not properly maintained..

The Parish Council has adopted the guidance set out in the Ministry of Justice document 'Managing the Safety of Burial Ground Memorials', published in January 2009, a copy of which is available from the Parish Clerk.

All memorials and inscriptions thereon are subject to the approval of the Parish Council and a copy of every inscription proposed and a drawing showing the design and dimensions of every memorial proposed to be erected must be submitted for approval to the Parish Clerk with the application on the prescribed form.

No memorial shall be placed within the burial ground, nor shall any currently installed memorial be removed or replaced, or work carried out to any memorial except by appointment and with the written consent of the Parish Council. through the Clerk

All memorials must be erected and installed by a memorial mason currently registered with the National Association of Memorial Masons (NAMM) or the British Register of Accredited Memorial Masons (BRAMM), or other suitably accredited professional body.

Memorials should comply with the current version of the NAMM Code of Working Practice, and must be suitably anchored or pinned for stability in one of the approved methods listed in Appendix 1 of that Code. Monuments must be marked on the reverse of the headstone with the monumental mason's name and the grave number.

For the right to erect or place on any grave one of the following:

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| 1. A headstone (your choice of design) not exceeding 2'6 x 2'6 | £55.00 | <u>OR</u> |
| 2. A tablet not exceeding 1'6 x 1'6 (18" x 18") | £55.00 | |

In addition to the above, the following may be added:

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| 3. Kerbstones or border stones, enclosing a space not exceeding 6' x 2'6. <u>Kerbstones must not be above ground level.</u> | £55.00 |
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Additional inscriptions: Please note that for any additional inscription after the original installation, **no charge** will be made by the Parish Council. However, permission must be obtained first, as set out above in paragraph 2 of this section (Part 2).

PART 3 RESERVATIONS

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| 1 | Fee for the reservation of a grave space within the line of existing graves by an inhabitant or parishioner | £125.00 |
| 2 | Fee for the reservation of a grave space within the line of existing graves of a non-inhabitant or non-parishioner | £250.00 |
| 3 | Fee for the reservation of a plot for the interment of ashes for an inhabitant or parishioner in the cremated remains area | £55.00 |
| 4 | Fee for the reservation of a plot for the interment of ashes for a non-inhabitant or non-parishioner in the cremated remains area | £110.00 |

The reservation fee is regarded as the purchase of exclusive right of burial.

Signed by Authority of a Resolution of Drayton Parish Council passed on 1st December 2015 (as amended . 5th September 2016)

CHAIRMAN _____ **Mr R Williams**

CLERK _____ **Mr D Perrow**