

Interment Fees

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Introduction

The following pages stipulate our revised fees for the financial year beginning 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 and apply to all interments and memorial applications that take place within this timeframe.

We aim to send out invoices at the beginning of each month and any late or outstanding payments may result in us declining interment bookings until the outstanding balances is paid.

Funeral directors that do not have a credit account with the council may arrange for interments and pay by cheque; we will provide receipts on request.

Non-resident Surcharge

Cemetery fees are subsidised at 50% for residents within the Wiltshire Council area, as a result, fees for non-residents are double.

- An interment surcharge will apply where the deceased was not resident within the Wiltshire Council area at the time of their death.
However, if the individual was resident in the council's area, but not within the twelve months preceding death because specialist care was not available within Wiltshire Council's boundaries, they may be buried in our cemeteries at our resident's charge.
This also applies to any resident or former resident of Wiltshire Council who has died in during military service. We may request evidence of any assertion to residential status.
- An Exclusive Right of Burial (EROB) surcharge will apply where the new (sole) owner is not a resident of the council area at the time of purchase.
- If exclusive rights are to be held by several individuals and at least one of these is resident within the council's area the resident's charge will apply.

Interment Bookings

For clarity and to ensure the smooth running of our service we require compliance with the following stipulations.

1. When we refer to the "time of interment", we mean the time that the funeral party and coffin must be at the grave and ready to proceed, arriving early does not mean we will be able to carry out the interment early and a late arrival could have a detrimental impact on the proceedings.
2. We do not carry out interments at weekends or Bank Holidays. The only exception to this would be in the case of a public health Issue.
3. We accept provisional bookings by email in the first instance and will only confirm the arrangement on receipt of **all relevant paperwork and disposal documents**. These must be in our possession no later than noon, three clear working days before the date of interment.

Scale of Fees

Burial in a grave

Description	Price	Notes
Burial of a body (coffin)	£989.84	
Burial of a child (coffin)	No charge	Definition of a child is being less than fifteen years of age.
Large Coffin Surcharge	£271.48	Coffins or caskets longer than 80 inches or wider than 28 inches will be defined as "large" and be subject to this surcharge.

Burial of cremated remains

Description	Price	Notes
Burial of a body (Ashes)	£335.16	Pouring of ashes onto or into a grave carries the same charge.
Burial of a child (Ashes)	No charge	Definition of a child is being less than fifteen years of age.

Use of chapels at Trowbridge or Westbury

Description	Price	Notes
Use of chapel	£180.24	Hymn books are available on request.

Exclusive Rights of Burial (EROB)

Description	Price	Notes
Grave (Coffin) for 40 years	£887.07	See Note 1 below
Grave (Coffin) extension 10 years	£221.77	See Note 1 below
Grave for 40 years (Child)	£446.88	See Note 2 below
Grave extension (Child) 10 years	£111.72	See Note 1 below
Ashes plot 40 years	£446.88	See Note 1 below
Ashes plot extension 10 years	£111.72	See Note 1 below

Note 1 These may be extended in increments of ten years; up to a **maximum of 100 years**

Note 2 Definition of a child is being less than fifteen years of age and is only available in cemeteries that have a specific children's section.

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