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CEMETERY CHARGES & REGULATIONS

No person may be interred in Beadnell Cemetery without the prior permission of the Clerk, Chairman of the Council or a Member of the Council delegated by the Chairman.

At a meeting of the Council held on the 25th July 2018 the following fees were agreed and apply where the person to be interred, or in respect of whom the right is granted, is or immediately before was a resident or parishioner of Beadnell. In the case of a child (up to 12 years) where the parents are or one of them is at the time of interment a resident or parishioner, no fees will apply.

Additional charges for non-residents or non-parishioners apply.

Table of Fees

Purchase of Burial and Cremation Plots

Purchase of single width burial plot in perpetuity (9 ft long by 4 ft 6 inches wide)	£250
Purchase of double width burial plot in perpetuity (9 ft long by 9 ft wide)	£500
Purchase of cremation plot in perpetuity (3 ft long by 4 ft 6 inches wide)	£100
Purchase of burial or cremation plot out of rotation subject to surcharge of	100%
Re-open burial or cremation plot for second interment	£75

Monuments, Gravestones, Tablets and Inscriptions

Erection of headstone not exceeding 2 ft 6 inches high (burial plots)	£75
Placement of tablet not exceeding 8 inches high (cremation plot)	£75
Cutting an additional inscription	£75

Additional Charges for Non-Residents and Non-Parishioners

Purchase of plots by or for non-parishioners subject to surcharge of	100%

Please note:

1. In accordance with law, all interments must be recorded in the Parish Register prescribed for this purpose. Undertakers must supply the necessary information to complete these records before being allocated a plot number in the cemetery.
2. Beadnell Parish Council does not employ a gravedigger. This service is arranged and charged for by the undertaker.
3. Permanent mounding of graves is not permitted and the surface level of graves should be that of the surrounding turf level.
4. A minimum period of 6 months must be allowed after the interment date before a memorial can be erected to allow for grave settlement.
5. Kerbstones, railings, fences or other types of edging for enclosing plots are not permitted.
6. No memorial of any description may be erected without prior written approval of the Council. The proposed design, dimensions and inscription must be submitted for approval to the Council, whose decision is final. Approved designs can be found on the Council website.

7. The use of NAMM (National Association of Memorial Masons) registered stone masons (or other recognised professional body) only will be permitted. This applies to the erection and repair of headstones/ plaques/ tablets.
8. All headstones/ plaques/ tablets must be erected at the head of the plot and in accordance with the current NAMM Code of Working Practice and BS8415.
9. The ownership of a headstone/ plaque/ tablet and the responsibility for its safety remains with the family of the deceased person/s and must be kept in good repair at their expense.
10. The Council will make reasonable efforts to communicate with plot owners by giving written notice by post when repairs are needed. If the owner does not make such repairs within six months, the Council will be at liberty to remove or lay flat the headstone/ plaque/ tablet. In the event of a headstone/ plaque/ tablet being in a dangerous condition, immediate action will be taken. The owners are responsible for all costs incurred in making the memorial safe.
11. The owners/ family are under an obligation to keep the Parish Council informed of their contact address.
12. Owners of headstones/plaques/ tablets are strongly advised to arrange insurance cover against theft or damage through vandalism, severe weather conditions or accidental damage. The Council will not be held responsible for any loss or damage which may occur.

VISITORS TO BEADNELL CEMETERY

Please report all damage to the Parish Clerk

For ease of maintenance in the cemetery and to avoid any possible distress to visitors please note and adhere to the following:-

1. The cemetery will be open to the public daily. However, the Council may close the cemetery, or any part thereof, to the public for as long as they consider necessary or expedient.
2. **Children under 12 years of age** are not allowed in the cemetery, except under the care of a responsible person.
3. **Dogs** accompanying visitors to the grounds should be on a leash at all times.
4. Visitors are requested to assist in keeping the cemetery in good order. All rubbish or waste flowers must be deposited in the receptacles provided.
5. Only flowers and wreaths may be placed on a grave. No other decoration, mementoes or photographs are permitted. The flowers and wreaths will be allowed to remain for a period of 14 days, after which Council staff may remove them.
6. The Council is responsible for grass cutting, therefore, no part of the grave should be planted with trees or shrubs, or anything which would impede maintenance. On application to the Council, memorial planting may be accommodated elsewhere in the parish.
7. Please be aware that adjacent graves may need to be reopened, which could temporarily restrict access to a grave. This is unavoidable, but we try to limit this to the shortest time possible.
8. No person shall obstruct or interfere with employees of the Parish Council at their duties.

The Parish Council hopes you understand these regulations help to ensure that the cemetery Is managed and maintained in a practical manner, whilst at the same time remaining attractive to visitors.

Chair, Beadnell Parish Council Amended March 2019