



Ross-on-Wye Town Council

Ross-on-Wye Town Cemetery – Information for families

Purchasing a space

Grave spaces can only be purchased for an immediate burial and not purchased in advance. The Funeral Director will always make the application on your behalf.

Spaces are available in three sections of the cemetery. In Section A headstones or curbs are allowed but in Section B, the lawned area, only headstones are allowed. In both section A and B double depth graves take up to two bodies. In Section C along the avenue, ashes plots are available. If an owner of a grave which is already full wishes to bury ashes in that grave this may also be possible. When a funeral director arranges a burial, you will be asked to sign a form confirming that you wish to purchase a space in the cemetery. It is the duty of the owner to maintain the grave thereafter and he or she will also need to inform the Clerk of any change of address.

Deed of Right of Burial

When you have purchased a grave space you will receive a Deed granting you the right to be buried in that space or to put a memorial on that grave (subject to the current Memorial Regulations). Your Deed will expire after 50 years. If you wish to renew it after expiry, you can repurchase it at the current rate at that time.

Erecting a Memorial

Current memorial regulations are displayed on the notice board in the cemetery or can be downloaded. Applications must be made through a BRAMM registered Stone Mason and can only be made by the owner of the Deed of Right of Burial.

Transferral of Burial Rights

When the owner of the Deed dies, he or she may be buried in the space. However, as the Deed becomes part of the estate, it must be transferred to whoever is legally entitled to inherit it before any further work can be done (e.g. inscription on a headstone). To arrange this, please contact the Town Council Office. If the owner wishes to transfer the right of burial during his/her lifetime, again, this can be done by contacting the office.