

Ruskington Parish Council. Burial Authority - Table of Fees.

Please note that due to changes in legislation and following a grey-water risk assessment, completed on 11 November 2019, Ruskington Parish Council is unable to allow burials into new graves in Sleaford Road Cemetery, Ruskington.

- Fees, payments and sums are fixed and agreed under Section 14 of the Burial Act 1832, the Local Government Act 1972 and the Local Authorities Cemeteries Order 1977.
- Fees are based on the current Policy of allocating remaining land for **NEW** Cremations.
- This Table of Fees was agreed by Council on: 18 January 2024 with an effective date of 1 April 2024.
- The Council reserves the right to modify, or waive a fee, under 'special circumstances'.
- Interments of any type in existing family burial plots, or previously pre-purchased plots, will continue to be permitted, if space allows.
- Interment fees shown apply to Residents (or recent Residents) of Ruskington.
- In the case of 'Non-Residents' **no burials will be allowed** (except where an exclusive right of burial, or construction of grave or vault was acquired before 1st September 1990). The interment of cremated remains will still be allowed, at present, the fees for which will remain quadrupled.
- Fees shown exclude the digging or preparation of the grave.
- Fees include the 'Exclusive Right of Burial' for **20 years only**. (This policy is wef 1 September 1990).
- Fees shown include the 'Deed of Grant' and all expenses thereof.
- 'Second' Burials in existing plots will only be permitted if the first burial is of sufficient 'extra depth'.
- The 'Pre – Purchase' of a Plot is no longer permitted. (As agreed by Council on 30 November 2004).
- With regard to the re-use (second or subsequent interment) of an existing burial or cremation plot, or interment in a previously 'pre purchased' plot, fees reflect the existing previous **purchase of the rights to that plot**.

PART 1 – INTERMENTS:

Since 11 November 2019 burials into new graves are not permitted.

- Interments into existing double depth graves and pre-purchased grave plots £ 152.00
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CREMATIONS (3' wide (max) - top of casket should be a minimum of 2' below ground level)

STILL BORN / NEONATAL / CHILD UP TO 16 YEARS:

- No fee

ADULT (over 16 years):

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| • Interment of adult cremation remains in an existing burial plot | £ 152.00 |
| • Interment of adult cremation remains in an existing cremation plot | £ 152.00 |
| • Interment of adult cremation remains in a NEW cremation plot | £ 309.00 |
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Non-Residents: **No burials will be allowed** (except where an exclusive right of burial, or construction of grave or vault was acquired before 1st September 1990).

The interment of cremated remains will still be allowed, at present, **the fees for which will remain at quadrupled.**

PART 2 – MONUMENTS, GRAVESTONES AND INSCRIPTIONS: Updated 2023

- For the right to erect or place on a grave, for which the 'exclusive right of burial' has been granted for a period of 20 years, a monument, or gravestone approved by the Parish Council.
- No monument or gravestone shall be erected on a plot without the associated purchase of that plot for interment purposes.

MONUMENTS AND GRAVESTONES:

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| • Monolith headstone not exceeding 2' 6" height (above ground level) for grave plots only. From 11 October 2022, NO LONGER PERMITTED ON ASHES PLOTS | £ 126.00 |
| • Flat stone or tilted flat stone not exceeding 12" x 18" in size. Can incorporate a flower vase/ flower vases. | £ 105.00 |
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INSCRIPTIONS:

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| • First inscription included in the above fees. | £ As above |
| Each additional inscription | £ 51.00 |
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OTHER FEES:

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| • Extension of 'Exclusive Right of Burial' to "In Perpetuity" (maximum of 100 years in total) | £ 126.00 |
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Fees for Burials and Cremations and Memorial Head Stones.
Effective Date: 1 April 2024

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| • Exhumation | £ | 630.00 |
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PART 3 – SEARCHES AND COPIES FROM REGISTERS:

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| • Searches of records and registers and provision of information by the Clerk | £ | 32.00 |
| • Certified copies of entries from the registers | | |
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Fees are levied to contribute towards the costs of:

- a) Purchase of the rights to the land for burial purposes.
- b) Cemetery Ground Maintenance work.
- c) Inspection work.
- d) Administration (interments, monuments, ground maintenance & routine).
- e) Council Tax, water rates etc.
- f) Other repairs and improvements. (Shed, slabbing, new hedging, public notices etc.)

Fees reflect a 'single' payment, but b), c), d), e) & f) are continuing activities.

Updated: 1 April 2024.