Hailey Parish Burial Ground Scale of Charges

Fees for the purchase of grave spaces, interments, and memorials. Commencing March 2023

1. Purchase of a plot for the exclusive right of burial (75 years)

For the exclusive right of burial in an earthen grave	£379.00
Purchase of reservation brick	£ 10.00

2. Interment Fees (excluding all charges for labour)

For the interment of the body of:

(i) a stillborn child or person whose age at the time of death did not exceed 16 years £ 00.00

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(ii) a person whose age at the time of death exceeded 16 years

For any interment not within the prescribed hours (9am-5pm),

except in a case of emergency, certified by a Coroner or a registered Medical Practitioner, an additional

3. Gravestones, Tablets and Monumental Inscriptions

For the right to erect or place:

(i) a headstone or cross £ 158.00

(ii) a tablet (with inscription) not exceeding 150mm. (6in.) in height and 900 sq. mm. (1sq. ft.) in area £ 84.00 (iii) any inscription after the first on a headstone £ 33.00

All fees will be doubled for non-residents of the Civil Parishes of Hailey and Crawley when permission has been obtained for their burial in the Burial Ground.

All cheques for payment to be made payable to: -Hailey Parish Council and sent to: -The Clerk, Hailey Parish Council, 25 Lilac Way, Carterton, West Oxfordshire, OX18 1JH 07551 958996 / clerk@haileywestoxon.org

Bank transfers can be made to Hailey Parish Council, Unity Trust Bank

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HAILEY PARISH COUNCIL

Regulations for the use and maintenance of

Hailey Parish Burial Ground Church Lane, Hailey

Rights of Burial

The right of burial in the Burial Ground is held by anyone whilst domiciled within the civil parishes of Hailey and Crawley or who was normally domiciled in those parishes at the time of their death. Those who are domiciled outside the civil parishes of Hailey and Crawley, do not have the right of burial in the burial ground. The Parish Council will occasionally allow those who do not have a right of burial to be buried in the burial ground. The Parish Council will treat each application for burial of a non-parishioner on its merits and a recent, strong, local connection will be expected.

Application for burial should be made through Funeral Directors.

The site of a particular grave is decided absolutely by the Parish Council. Burials can be arranged in unconsecrated ground if this is so desired.

Reservation of Grave Spaces

Grave spaces can be reserved but must be purchased at the current rate. The grant of exclusive purchase lasts for 75 years. Requests for the reservation of a grave space should be made to the Parish Council. The right to reserve a plot is restricted to those who live in the civil parishes of Hailey and Crawley. In addition to the fee for exclusive rights, a reservation brick will need to be purchased to place on the plot. In the event of the reserved plot being relinquished, there will be no refund of fees paid.

Cremated remains may be interred in a full (double) grave space on payment of the full fee for burial, on the condition that a burial will also take place in the plot in the future (when required). There is space for the interment of cremated remains within the Churchyard of Hailey. Graves may be dug to double depth. The full interment fee is payable for a second burial in the same grave space.

Memorials (Headstones, Crosses, Tablets, Vases)

Permission and approval must be obtained for the introduction of any memorial. This must be sought from the Parish Council who reserve the right not to allow the erection of memorials which do not meet with their approval in design, materials or inscription. Memorials erected without the permission of the Parish Council may be removed.

A minimum period of six months should normally elapse between interment and the erection of a memorial. The dimensions of a headstone shall not exceed 1200mm (4ft) high measured from the surface of the ground, 900mm (3ft) wide and 150mm (6in) thick. They shall be no less than 75mm (3in) thick. Flat tablets shall not exceed 450mm in any horizontal dimension.

A headstone may stand on a stone base, provided that it is an integral part of the design. Due regard should be paid to the nature of the ground and the problems of settlement. Headstones should be long enough to be inserted into the ground at sufficient depth to ensure stability, or else supported by a concrete shoe. Tablets should be let into the ground with the tablet upper surface flush with the ground surface for over mowing.

Headstones may be of hardwood (not Tablets) or of natural stone with a non-reflecting finish. Igneous rock (e.g. granite) is not allowed in any form nor are marble, synthetic stone or plastic. It is recommended that local natural stones used in traditional building in the area be used.

Designs are to be simple and tasteful. Up to two vases may be incorporated into the base of the stone. Kerbstones or any other means of marking the grave are not permitted.

Epitaphs must be simple and reverent. They should use proper names and avoid the use of slang. The Parish Council must approve each epitaph and may consult with the ecclesiastical authorities if the memorial is to be erected in consecrated ground. Inscriptions should be incised, or in relief, and may be painted in black. Plastic, leaded or colored lettering and designs (e.g. gold) are not permitted. Additional inscriptions to existing memorials may be made at a later date and any alteration must be approved. No trademark or advertisement may be inscribed on headstones. The mason's name may be inscribed on the side or the reverse in unleaded letters no larger than 13mm (0.5in).

All memorials shall be sited in line with others in the same section and row, with the top edge of tablets in line with the backs of headstones.

Maintenance

It is emphasized that the burial ground is a lawned burial ground and the planting of bulbs, flowers, shrubs, trees etc. is not permitted.

Memorials remain the property of the person or persons responsible for their erection, who are also responsible for their maintenance. The Parish Council reserves the right to make good any memorials not so maintained and to make a charge for so doing.

Cut flowers, wreaths etc. may be laid on any grave for a maximum of six months after the burial, but must be removed when they become withered. Flowers may subsequently be placed in a vase when the vase is incorporated into the design of the headstone. The grass covering the grave may not be disturbed or dug over.

Artificial flowers are not permitted.

The Parish Council reserves the right to make good any graves which are in contravention of these regulations. It also reserves the right to remove unsightly flowers and to make a charge for so doing.

General

Dogs are not allowed in the burial ground unless on a lead.

The riding of bicycles is not allowed in the burial ground.

Access to the burial ground is through the gate in Church Lane or on foot through the Churchyard.

All surplus soil from the digging of graves shall be removed from the site.