

# WICKHAMFORD PARISH COUNCIL

## *Cemetery Rules & Regulations*

*Effective as from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2010*



*The Cemetery is administered by the Clerk on behalf of Parish Council. All enquiries / questions should be referred c/o the Parish Clerk at 12 Pitchers Hill Wickhamford, Worcs. WR11 7RT  
Tel. 01386 830676 or email at [wickhamfordpc@sky.com](mailto:wickhamfordpc@sky.com)*

## Funeral Directors

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*Campion & New, Evesham. Tel. 01386 422233*

*Merstow Green Funeral Home, Evesham.  
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*Alexander Burn, Evesham. Tel. 01386 49903*

*Co-Op, Evesham. Tel. 01386 446188*

*Browns Memorials, Evesham. Tel. 01386 421999*

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*All Regulations as described under the Burials Act are  
considered incorporated in this document*

## Headstones & Memorials

The maximum size of a Headstones shall be 4 feet (1.3m) high x 3.5 feet (1m) wide with no solid sides. A drawing of the proposed Headstone along with all Inscriptions must be submitted to the Parish Council for approval. Headstones must be kept in good repair or they may be removed.

All works carried out in the erection of headstones and tending of graves must not affect or change any of the surrounding graves or the fabric of the burial ground.

Only vehicles on Cemetery ground business are allowed to enter (e.g. Gravedigger, Mowing Contractor) They must make good any damage to either graves, headstones, or any other part of the Cemetery, which must also be left in a neat and tidy state, with all refuse removed.

In the Cemetery no person shall wilfully create a disturbance, commit any nuisance, interfere with any burial taking place, interfere with any grave, headstone, flowers or plants, play any game or sport or allow access to any dog or domesticated animal (with the exception of guide dogs), also cycles are not allowed and children under 12 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

## Cemetery Fees

These will be supplied by the Funeral Director.

Notice of interment must be given in writing to the Council on the forms provided by Wickhamford Parish Council and accompanied by the relevant fees and either the Registrar's or Coroner's Certificate.

Once notice is given, the details of the deceased will be entered into the Register of Graves, as kept by the Parish Council.

Only Parishioners of Wickhamford shall be interred in the Cemetery with the exception of previous resident Parishioners.

The Grave site will be the next available plot which will be confirmed by the Parish Council, with the exception of an existing ERB, (Exclusive Rights of Burial).

Note. ERB's are no longer available.

Burials must take place in the Summer between the hours of 11am and 5pm, and in the Winter between 11am and 3pm. Summer and Winter times will be defined by daylight saving clock changes.

## Graves

Coffins must lie at least 4 feet (1.2m) below ground. Graves must be dug to double depth in the case of couples and covered by 4 foot of soil or a layer of brick or concrete with a minimum of 40cm's of soil over.

No large caskets will be allowed. Walled and Vaulted Graves are also not allowed.

Interred ashes can be double or treble depth if required. No artificial grass, solid kerbs or stone chippings are to be used.

A small solid marker with the details of the deceased must be available to be put in place at the closing of the grave.