

STALHAM TOWN COUNCIL

RULES AND REGULATIONS MADE BY STALHAM TOWN COUNCIL FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF BURIAL GROUND CAMPINGFIELD LANE, STALHAM NR12 9DZ

(Local Government Act 1972 & Local Authorities' Cemeteries Order 1977 as amended by Local Authorities' Cemeteries Order 1986)

PART ONE TABLE OF FEES

INTERMENTS

The fees, payments and sums set out below apply where the persons to be interred or in respect of whom the right is granted is, or immediately before his/her death was an inhabitant or parishioner of the **PARISH OF STALHAM** or, in the case of a still-born child, where the parents (or one of them) are, or at the time of the interment were, such inhabitants or parishioners.

The fees indicated for the various heads of items 1, 2 and 3 exclude the digging of the grave.

- 1** For the interment in a grave in respect of which an Exclusive Right of Burial has been granted
- (a) In a plot reserved for the interment of children:
Of the body of a still-born child, or a child whose age at the time of death did not exceed 5 years **No charge**
- (b) In an adult sized plot:
Of the body of a child whose age at the time of death exceeded 5 years but did not exceed 12 years **£ 85.00**
- (c) Of the body of a person whose age at the time of death exceeded 12 years **£160.00**
- 3** For the interment of cremated remains in a grave in respect of which an Exclusive Right has been granted **£105.00**

4 NON-RESIDENTS OF THE PARISH OF STALHAM

Former inhabitants who, at the time of death, were resident in a retirement home outside Stalham will be treated as inhabitants if they were a resident of Stalham prior to moving into residential care.

For the interment in a grave in respect of which an Exclusive Right of Burial has been granted

- (a) In a plot with Exclusive Right of Burial previously purchased by a family member: Of the body of a still-born child, or a child whose age at the time of death did not exceed five years **No charge**

- (b) In a plot reserved for the interment of children: Of the body of a still-born child, or a child whose age at the time of death did not exceed five years **£210.00**
- (c) of the body of a child whose age at the time of death exceeded 5 years but did not exceed 12 years **£315.00**
- (c) Of the body of a person whose age at the time of death exceed 12 years **£525.00**
- (d) For the interment of cremated remains in a grave in respect of which an Exclusive Right has been granted **£345.00**

EXCLUSIVE RIGHT OF BURIAL IN EARTHEN GRAVES

- (a) For the Exclusive Right of Burial for the period of 100 years in earthen grave 7ft x 3ft **£210.00**
- (b) For the Exclusive Right of Burial of cremated remains in an earthen grave 2ft x 2ft **£105.00**
- (c) Purchase of Exclusive Right in a plot reserved for the interment of children for a still born child or child whose age at the time of death did not exceed five years **No charge.**
- (d) Transfer of Exclusive Right of Burial £20.00
- (e) Issue of a copy of a Grant of Exclusive Right of Burial £20.00

NON-RESIDENTS OF THE PARISH OF STALHAM

- (a) For the Exclusive Right of Burial for the period of 100 years in earthen grave 7ft x 3ft **£800.00**
- (b) For the Exclusive Right of Burial of cremated remains in an earthen grave **£395.00**
- (c) Purchase of Exclusive Right in a plot reserved for the interment of children for a still born child or whose age at the time of death did not exceed five years **£395**

MONUMENTS, TABLETS AND MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS

For the right to erect or place on a grave in respect of which the Exclusive Right of Burial has been granted.

- (a) Headstone not exceeding 30" in height – **vase to be incorporated in base** **£ 65.00**
- (b) Headstone in Cremated area not exceeding 20" in height " " " " **£ 65.00**
- (c) An approved vase not exceeding 12" in height **£ 30.00**
- (d) Flat Stone (Tablet) – maximum size 18" x 15" x 2" **£ 40.00**
- (e) Wooden crosses must not exceed 30" in height and be professionally constructed **£40.00**

MINISTER'S FEES – No fees payable to the Town Council

THERE IS NO EXTRA CHARGE FOR ADDITIONAL INSCRIPTION ON AN EXISTING MEMORIAL OR PLAQUE

PART TWO – CONDITIONS OF BURIAL

- (a) **Only one additional grave** permitted per burial
- (b) Three cremated remains may be interred in a previously purchased occupied burial grave at the same cost as for cremated remains interment above. (items 3 or 6)
- (c) A total of two cremated remains may be interred in each cremated remains plots.

ALL MEMORIAL HEADSTONES TO FACE THE PATH

- (d) No Memorial may be erected without the authority of the Stalham Town Council. Minimum of six months must lapse following an interment before a memorial may be erected.
- (e) Only lawn memorials are accepted maximum height 30" width 2'6" maximum thickness 4" flower container(s) must be incorporated in the base. 0.75" dowelling rods must be used for fixing **all Memorial Headstones**. Memorials in Cremated Area maximum height 20" width 24" thickness 2" flower container(s) must be incorporated in the base. All Memorials should be fixed with an approved ground anchor fixing system. **Memorials should also be inscribed with the grave number.**
- (f) **KERBS** – **No kerb** or other form of enclosure of the grave (including digging out of gullies) will be permitted.
- (g) All graves to be levelled and grassed as soon as practicable
- (h) **No** flowers or plants to be planted on the grave
- (i) **STRICTLY NO GLASS vases or containers allowed for Health & Safety REASONS** – **Any glass containers on graves will be removed by the Town Council.**
- (j) No planters, tubs or containers to be placed on a grave

The Stalham Town Council has the right to remove or cut down any unauthorised flowers, plants, or remove containers or tubs if not removed by request to the next of kin within fourteen days. Any item removed by the Town Council will be kept in a safe place for collection up to 28 days (excluding cut flowers)

- (k) **ALL monuments shall, after erection, be kept in good repair by the owner (holder of the Exclusive Right)**
- (l) Lettering on memorial headstones or plaques – **ONLY** Black: Silver: Gold: permitted.
- (m) **Stalham Town Council and/or the Ground Maintenance Company can not be held responsible for any damage incurred to any Memorial, Vase or Cross.**

PLEASE NOTE – If a person(s) take it upon themselves to have kerbs etc that:-

- (1) It is totally illegal and the Town Council will take no responsibility for any damage incurred
- (2) The Town Council reserves the right to have unauthorised kerbs removed

PART THREE CONDITIONS RELATING TO Exclusive Right of Burial

- (a) The exclusive right of burial (ERB) may be purchased for a grave. This right of burial is for a period of 100 years from the date of purchase. The purchaser is not buying the grave freehold and does not own any land. The person who has purchased the right of burial can determine who may be interred in the grave. Notwithstanding this, the burial authority will determine the total amount of burials and/or cremated remains that may be interred in each grave.
- (b) The holder of Exclusive Right of Burial is **NOT** permitted to sell the right to a third party. Stalham Town Council will refund Exclusive Rights owners for unused graves only such monies paid at the time of the **original purchase** minus administration costs.
- (c) Any Reserved Grave unused following the death of the owner shall be returned to the Stalham Town Council
- (d) **NO future Exclusive Right for designated position Reserved Graves** shall be permitted from 10.09.19

(e) Transfer of Exclusive Right of Burial

Applications for transfer must be made using the required form available from the Town Council. The completion of these forms may involve the swearing of an affidavit.

(f) Issue of a copy of a Grant of Exclusive Right of Burial

Copies of original Grants can be issued on request.

Reserved graves will be identified by a tablet supplied by the Stalham Town Council

NO American style caskets are accepted

PART FOUR – ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS

- (a) **NO** dogs allowed in the Burial Ground, except Guide dogs and those dogs accompanying people visiting graves (Please note – dogs to be kept on leads at all times)
- (b) The riding of bicycles across the grassed areas of the Burial Ground is strictly forbidden
- (c) The consumption of alcohol within the Burial Ground is strictly forbidden
- (d) No person shall wilfully create any disturbance in the cemetery
- (e) No person shall wilfully interfere with any burial taking place in the cemetery
- (f) No person shall play at any game or sport in a cemetery
- (g) The Council reserves the right from time to time to make alterations or additions to the Regulations consistent with the Burial Acts

PART FIVE - Acceptance of Conditions of Burial

A 'Declaration of Acceptance' (supplied by the Stalham Town Council) shall be given to the next of kin by the Funeral Directors who are requested to ensure the next of kin have read the conditions and are prepared to sign the 'Acceptance' prior to the interment arrangements being made.

Grave site is allocated by the Stalham Town Council

A Register of Burials and plan of the Burial Ground is kept by the Clerk of the Town Council. These may be inspected by appointment only.

ALL FEES must be received by the Town Council 48hrs prior to the proposed interment

By Order of the Council
10 June 2019

Amended and Adopted by the Town Council on 10 June 2019
These amendments supersede all previous Conditions of Burial
And take effect immediately