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ASHWELL CEMETERY

Managed by the Parish Council on behalf of the village

Notes re the advance reservation of grave spaces

Grave plots can be reserved, 'the Assignment of Burial Rights', to provide for full burials, either single or double depth. All new full grave spaces are now in the 'New Area'. Small square plots for ashes, single or double, can be reserved in the ashes area (the 'Old Area' is still in use for these). Ashes can also be interred into a full grave space. This gives the option of a headstone whereas plots in the ashes area are marked by a horizontal plaque.

Plots can be reserved in advance by application to the Parish Council -see contact details above. Please feel free to contact the Clerk to discuss your requirements if needed.

The Right of Burial is limited to Ashwell parishioners, past and present, and those having a close association with the village.

The reservation of a space gives the Right of Burial but not ownership. This is in accordance with relevant statute and is for 99 years. Once a reservation is made a certificate assigning burial rights is issued; all details are also recorded in the Cemetery Registers.

Plots are allocated on a 'next in line' basis unless multiple plots are reserved (where there may be a need to consider future access). Consecrated and un-consecrated areas are available. As the 'Old Area' is now full except for the ashes plots area at the far end and some existing family graves, most burials and reservations are in the 'New Area'.

Ashes may be interred into a full grave space (this gives the option for a headstone if wanted). There is no provision for the scattering of ashes (this requires a licence that the Cemetery does not possess).

You should be aware that regulations exist with regard to headstones and memorial plaques. In common with most cemeteries kerbing is no longer permitted in order to make maintenance easier. Again, the Parish Council is happy to discuss individual requirements if needed.

Maintenance of the Cemetery is the responsibility of the Parish Council but families are responsible for looking after their individual graves.

Applications should be made in writing; there is no form, please write a short letter or email to confirm what you would like. The scale of charges is below but please confirm with the Parish Council office before any payment is made.

Cheques should be made payable to Ashwell Parish Council. Bank transfers can be made to

Ashwell Parish Council a/c number 0694 2082 sort code 09-01-55.

Ashwell Cemetery prices (current from April 2020)

£'s	Parishioner	Previous parishioner	Associate of parishioner
Purchase of a single depth grave	340	540	680
Purchase of a double depth grave	625	1020	1250
Purchase of an ashes plot (space for two interments)	140	230	280
Interment fee (charged at the time of interment)	140	230	280
Administrative costs involved with re-opening of an old grave (only if applicable)	210	340	420
Erection of headstone/plaque fee	140	230	280