

Fulbourn Cemetery

The Cemetery is situated within the village of Fulbourn at the far end of Sanders Lane, which is near the junction of Dogget Lane and Home End.

The land was bought by the Parish Council in 1935, when the burial grounds at Saint Vigor's Church and the United Reformed (formerly Congregational) Church, were beginning to run out of available space.

The Cemetery is managed and maintained by Fulbourn Parish Council. It is a 'lawn' burial ground, which ensures that the simplicity and tranquillity of the area is preserved. When possible, after burial, turf will be laid, ground kept level and if necessary re-seeded so it will be maintained thereafter by mowing and strimming where required.

This does however necessitate some restrictions regarding the type and size of monuments and decorations that are permitted and these are listed on the following page under 'Rules and Regulations'.

These rules and regulations are imposed in order that the immediate and long term maintenance of the Cemetery can be continued to a high standard.

We trust visitors will respect these rules and hope that they will appreciate that 'Fulbourn Cemetery' is an uplifting place to visit and that it is sympathetic to the surrounding countryside.

Rules and Regulations

The following regulations have been issued by Fulbourn Parish Council for the guidance of undertakers and relatives of those interred in the Cemetery. They cover burials in earthen grave spaces, burial of cremated remains and also the type of memorial or headstone that may be erected on a grave space or cremation plot.

Two copies of the 'Fulbourn Cemetery Leaflet' will be given to the funeral arranger when permission for an interment is sought. One copy must be returned to the Parish Clerk prior to interment, duly signed, confirming that all parties have read and accepted the 'Rules and Regulations' that apply to Fulbourn Cemetery.

Funeral Director Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of the Funeral Director to commission the digging of graves. Funeral Directors must carry appropriate insurance; have in place a Health and Safety Policy, and comply with any other statutory requirement. They must ensure that any contractor employed by them also comply with the above requirements, including Public Liability Insurance.

Graves and Memorial Plots

The grant of exclusive right of burial in an earthen grave space or of ashes in a cremation plot, shall be for 99 years. A grave space may be used for up to two interments. Funeral Directors will indicate on the 'Notice of Interment' form whether the grave space is to be dug for one or two interments.

Headstones, Tablets, Memorial Plaques and Inscriptions

Prior written authority from Fulbourn Parish Council is required before any type of memorial is placed in Fulbourn Cemetery. To obtain the necessary authority, details of the proposed materials, size, style and inscription, together with the proposed location, shall be submitted in writing to the Clerk of Fulbourn Parish Council. The 'Council' reserves the right to refuse any design that it judges will cause undue interference with the general maintenance of the Cemetery, or could be viewed as unsympathetic or causing offence.

In all cases the decision of Fulbourn Parish Council shall be final and binding. Only upright memorial headstones are permitted on earthen graves and must not exceed 4 feet (120 cm) in height, 2 feet 6 inches (76 cm) in width, and 6 inches (15 cm) in thickness. The headstone must be positioned at the head of the grave on the foundation base and correctly secured in accordance with current statutory regulations and meet mandatory topple tests.

No kerbs, edging, railings, chains, wire mesh or other enclosures will be allowed.

No monument constructed of plastic, wood (unless a temporary marker), glass, metal, tiles or any form of grave covering such as chippings, pavings, plantings or artificial turf will be allowed.

No decorations are allowed on the grave, or any adjacent shrubs, trees, fences etc.

A free standing container is permitted provided it is placed at the head of the grave, on the base of the headstone.

Relatives and descendants are reminded that they are collectively responsible for the general appearance, upkeep and safety of the grave and any monument erected thereon.

The granting of permission to erect a monument in Fulbourn Cemetery is conditional upon the Parish Council not being held responsible for any damage to that monument, regardless of cause. Should a monument (in the opinion of the Parish Council) become a danger, or be in need of repair, the Parish Council shall require that it be made safe, repaired or removed at no cost to the Parish Council.

Headstone insurance is available. The stonemason may advise on this at the time of purchase.

Agreement form

This form must be completed, prior to interment and returned to the Parish Clerk, Fulbourn Parish Council, C/o The Fulbourn Centre, Home End, Fulbourn, Cambridge, CB21 5BS.

I/We confirm that the 'Rules and Regulations' which apply to Fulbourn Cemetery have been read and accepted by the family of the deceased.

Name of deceased.....

Date of funeral.....

Name of funeral arranger/s.....

Address.....

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Signed by funeral arranger..... Date.....

Fulbourn Parish Council

Cemetery Fees

These fees apply when the person to be interred was domicile in the parish of Fulbourn either: -

1. Immediately before his/her death; or
2. When the exclusive right of burial was purchased, if at an earlier date; or
3. Until he/she left the parish for care in his/her declining years; or
4. In the case of a still-born child, if either or both parents are domicile in the parish at the time of interment.

Exclusive Right of Burial in an earthen grave or cremation plot.

The exclusive right of burial is non transferable.

1. Purchase of the exclusive right of burial in an earthen grave for a term of 99 years from the date of burial. £175.85
2. Purchase of the exclusive right of burial in a double depth earthen grave for a term of 99 years from the date of burial. £353.00
3. Purchase of the exclusive right of burial of a casket of ashes in a cremation plot for a term of 99 years from the date of burial. £175.85

If the right of burial has not been exercised within a certain time from the date of purchase, the Parish Council shall have the right, periodically, to review the ownership.

The spouse of a deceased may purchase only one adjoining plot, if available.

The cost of digging the grave is not included in the fee, but is the responsibility of the Funeral Director.

Interments

The body of a stillborn child, or a child whose age at the time of death did not exceed 28 days £30.20

The body of a child whose age at the time of death exceeded 28 days but did not exceed 12 years. £46.00

The body of a person whose age at the time of death exceeded 12 years. £123.35

For the interment in a single grave	£123.35
For the first interment in a double grave	£217.85
For the subsequent interment in a double grave	£123.35
For the interment of a casket of ashes (Grave or cremation plot)	£94.50
For any subsequent interment (A second casket)	£94.50

Memorial Garden

Interment of ashes, not in a casket	£43.00
Provision of a rose (H.T. or floribunda) maintained for 10 years	£42.00

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Earthen Graves

For the right to place an upright memorial headstone not exceeding 4 feet (120 cm) in height, 2 feet 6 inches (76 cm) in width and 6 inches (15 cm) in thickness at the head of an earthen grave.	£53.50
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Memorial Wall

For the right to affix a memorial plaque on the memorial wall	
For a single plaque	£55.65
For a double plaque	109.20
For the right to add or alter an inscription on an existing memorial	£38.85
All proposed inscriptions must be submitted to the Parish Council for prior approval.	

In the case of Non-Parishioners, the fees are double.

Fees fixed under the Local Authorities Order 1974 (No. 628) at a meeting of Fulbourn Parish Council on 12th December 2018.

To take effect from 1st January 2019.