

Datchet Parish Council

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Datchet Cemetery Fees, Charges, and Conditions 2025/2026

Fees to purchase a plot (VAT Exempt)

Purchase of a Burial Plot			
Deed of exclusive right of burial for a fixed period not exceeding 100 years	Plot Size	Resident	Non- Resident
Earthen Grave	9ft x 4ft	£1,733.00	£5,500.00
Lined Grave	9ft x 4ft	£2,076.00	£7,000.00

^{*} Burial plot Interment 2 coffins and 8 ashes

Purchase of a Cremation Plot			
Deed of exclusive right of burial for a fixed	Plot size	Resident	Non-Resident
period not exceeding 100 years			
Earthen Grave	2ft x 2ft	£775.00	£1,500.00

^{*} Cremated remains plot Interment of Single Depth 4 Ashes or Double depth 8 Ashes

Transfer of ownership	
Subject to satisfactory legal proof of right	£100.00

Fees for Interments

(VAT Exempt)

Burial Plot - Interment of Coffin or Ashes			
Description	Resident	Non-Resident	
1st Interment or Grave re-open	£1,008.00	£3,400.00	
For a child less than 12 years old	£193.00	£756.00	

Cremated Remains Plot - Interment of Ashes			
Description	Resident	Non-Resident	
1st Interment or Grave re-open	£401.00	£1,200.00	
For a child less than 12 years old	£100.00	£350.00	

Fees for Memorials

(VAT Standard Rate)

Application for Memorial Permit – for installation of a	
headstone, tablet, or memorial stone (required for all new	
memorials)	
Additional Inscriptions post installation of memorial	£115.00

MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES (Which may or may not attract VAT at the standard rate)

The Parish Council reserves the right to make an appropriate charge in respect of any additional requirements requested which are not specifically referred to in this document. The precise payment required will be determined at the time of the enquiry for the service.

CONDITIONS

Please note that the listed costs apply only to the Cemetery and do not include any additional expenses you may incur from other parties involved in the funeral arrangements, such as funeral directors, grave diggers, or stone masons.

Please also refer to the **Cemetery Rules and Regulations** for full guidelines on memorials, interments and the cemetery.

RESIDENTIAL QUALIFICATION

Fees and charges for interment depend on whether the deceased was a resident of the Parish of Datchet at the time of death.

Funeral Directors must notify the Parish Clerk of the deceased's resident status using the form provided by the Parish Council. They must also submit a photocopy of the Deed Certificate or provide the Plot/Deed Certificate Number. The applicable fee is based on the date of interment, not the date of the Interment application form.

Definition of a Resident:

A resident is any person who:

- Was a long-term resident of the Parish of Datchet for at least 5 consecutive years.
- And has not been absent from the Parish for more than five years before their death.

All other individuals are considered **non-residents**.

Proof of Residence:

At the time of purchasing a burial plot and interment, proof of current and previous addresses (if necessary) must be provided. Acceptable documents include:

- a) Driving licence.
- b) Or a recent utility bill or council tax letter in the deceased's name.

Discretionary Decisions:

The residential classification of the deceased may change between the purchase of Rights of Burial and interment. The Parish Council may, at its discretion, review residential qualifications upon written application.

Interments

Normal operational hours are Monday to Friday Summer hours (April to Oct) are from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. and Winter hours (Nov to March) are from 11:00 am to 2.00 pm. No interment shall take place on Saturdays, Sundays, Good Friday, Christmas Day, Bank Holidays or any other Public Holidays

The Interment Application, along with the required payment via bank transfer payable to Datchet Parish Council, must be submitted to the Clerk at least **3 Clear working days** before the scheduled interment.

The fees listed do not include the cost of grave digging. This work must be carried out by operatives or companies approved by the Parish Council, and it is the responsibility of the Funeral Director to make the necessary arrangements.

Memorials

Memorial Regulations

- The person applying for the Right to Erect a Memorial must be the owner of the Exclusive Right of Burial.
- The footprint of any memorial must not exceed **8ft x 3ft**.
- The maximum permitted height for a headstone is 4 feet above ground level.
- Rose trees are not permitted as memorials.

Memorial Approval and Installation

No work on memorials may take place in the cemetery **without prior permission** from the Parish Clerk and not without a representative of the council being on site.

A memorial permit application and full payment is required for;

- o Erection of a new memorial
- Adding or altering inscriptions
- o Renovation or modifications to any memorial or kerb

The application must include:

- An illustration of the proposed memorial.
- Detailed wording and measurements.
- The Plot Number on the lower left face or rear of the headstone
- Full payment of the appropriate fee, payable via bank transfer to Datchet Parish Council.

Memorial Installation Requirements

Effective from 1st April 2007, the installation or erection of any memorial must:

- a) Be carried out in accordance with N.A.M.M. or B.R.A.M.M Guidelines.
- **b)** Be conducted in the presence of a Parish Council Representative.

To arrange an appointment, please contact the Clerk on 01753 773499.

The above fees were approved by Datchet Parish Council on 10th Feb 2025 Minute Ref: 24/215b

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