

NORTH LOPHAM BURIAL GROUND REGULATIONS

Regulations for North Lopham Burial Ground approved by the North Lopham Parish Council, acting as the Burial Authority for the Parish of North Lopham.

1. Applications for Burials, placing and removal of headstones and memorial vases, additional wording or cleaning must be made to the Clerk, Mike Cox, 01379 688355.
2. Before installation, the design of all headstones must be approved in writing by the Clerk of the Council (acting on behalf of the Burial Authority). Application for approval should include a drawing showing the form, dimensions and colour of the stone, and should be accompanied by the exact text of the proposed inscription and details of any other decoration or adornment. In reaching his decision as to whether a particular headstone will be allowed the Clerk will be guided by the regulations currently in force for burials in Churchyards in the Diocese of Norwich, to ensure that the design is 'in keeping' with the surrounding graves and nearby Church. Details of these regulations are available from the Clerk on request. The Clerk may confer with members of the Parish Council or the Church authorities, when he considers it necessary, before notifying the applicant of the decision. The final decision will be that of the Parish Council, acting as the Burial Authority. To avoid unnecessary expense those wishing to place headstones in the Burial Ground are therefore recommended not to issue instructions for manufacture of the headstone until approval is given.
3. No kerbs will be permitted. Headstones may be erected with a (non-glass) flower receptacle. If no headstone is supplied the provision of a suitable (non-glass) flower holder or memorial vase will be accepted. This should be placed at the head of the grave. Anyone wishing to have additional vases or to plant bulbs, annual flowers etc. (no shrubs or trees) may do so subject to the following conditions: During the grass cutting season, all such items (including wreaths) shall be placed not more than 2 feet (60 cm) from the headstone, within the area of the grave, and no part of the items so placed shall extend beyond 3 feet (90cm) from the headstone (this is to ensure that there is sufficient space at the 'foot' of the grave for the mower to be manoeuvred between graves). The responsibility for maintenance of the whole of the grave area is with those responsible for the placing of the vases, bulbs, flowers etc. The Burial Authority reserves the right to remove such items and mow over the grave as normal if the grave area is not kept tidy. This regulation will apply after graves have been levelled.
4. All graves will be levelled after a suitable time.
5. The Burial Authority is unable to dispose of dead flowers, wreaths, wrappings etc. All such items must be taken away from the Burial Ground for disposal.
6. Applications for the planting of trees on the perimeter of the Burial Ground will be considered by the Burial Authority.
7. The Burial Authority reserves the right to mark or number unmarked graves.
8. The Burial Authority reserves the right to amend or add to these regulations at any time.
9. Anything not covered by the above must meet with the approval of the Burial Authority.
10. FEES

Plot Reservation

Single plot, minimum 5 years £ 30

Burials

Residents of North Lopham £ 70

Non-residents of North Lopham £ 90

People born in North Lopham, not resident at time of death £ 70

Internment of Ashes £ 40

Memorials

Memorial Headstones £ 40

Flower Vases £ 35

Additions to memorials including removal for cleaning £ 35

11. These regulations will take effect from 12th July 2006 and until further notice.

Signed (Chairman)

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