

Kibworth Joint Burial Board

Kibworth Cemetery, Harborough Road, Kibworth Harcourt

CEMETERY REGULATIONS (approved 20th October 2020)

1. Layout

The cemetery is divided into sections and grave spaces. A plan of the cemetery showing this arrangement and the grave spaces numbered thereon is deposited, and may be inspected on application, at the office of the Clerk to the Burial Board from whom all other information relating to the cemetery may be obtained.

2. Purchase of exclusive right of burial

Kibworth Cemetery is only available for use by residents within the boundaries of Kibworth Beauchamp and Kibworth Harcourt. This includes residents who have previously lived within the Kilworth's who, at the time of death, may not be resident in the village.

In all sections, the exclusive right of burial in a grave space or plot may be purchased on payment of the charges for the time being in operation. Such rights may be granted for a period not exceeding 100 years. A Deed of Grant will be issued by the Burial Board in respect of each right purchased.

Any person who purchases the exclusive right of burial in any space shall not convey, assign or transfer such right without the consent of the Burial Board. The Burial Board will take back unwanted and unused reserved plots. However, no refunds can be made although all administration involved in the transfer will be free of charge.

Grave owners should notify the Clerk with any change of address/ contact details

Family members should contact the Clerk upon the death of the grave holder to arrange for the transfer of exclusive rights to a new living owner.

3. Interments

Notices of interment are to be given, and charges in respect thereof are to be paid to the Clerk of the Burial Board before the ground is opened or the graves made.

The responsibility for digging the grave shall rest with the person giving notice of interment, under whose supervision, at the direction of the Burial Board, such excavation shall take place.

The selection of grave space shall in all cases be subject to the approval of the Burial Board or the Clerk to the Board. Grave spaces may be registered and reserved upon payment of the appointed fees.

4. Memorials

All memorials are to be installed in accordance with BS8415 and the appropriate industry code of practice.

Memorials remain the property of the Deed holder. The Burial Board is not liable for damage, however caused, and it is the Deed holder's responsibility to organise insurance, if required, and maintain the memorial to current Health and Safety standards.

All memorials must be kept in repair by the owner thereof and if not repaired, after due notice, may be removed by order of the Burial Board.

All memorials, and subsequent alterations thereto, must have written approval from the Burial Board and all fees are to be paid in full prior to their being installed.

5. Planting of Shrubs or Trees

The planting of rooted shrubs or trees within the confines of any designated grave or cremation plot is not permitted. The disturbance of ground around a grave over time causes the risk of ground movement. Any unauthorised planting will result in the removal of said plant by the Kibworth Joint Burial Board without recourse.

6. Burial Register

A register of all burials is kept at the office of the Clerk to the Board where searches may be made by prior appointment. Certified extracts may be obtained for a small fee. Registers of burials prior to 1982 are kept at the Leics Record Office in Wigston.

7. Visiting the Cemetery

The cemetery is open to the public during daylight hours. Visitors are required to keep to the pathways unless when visiting a grave, and to refrain from injuring the flowers and shrubs etc. Children should be under proper control. No vehicle (other than the essential use of a car or contractor's vehicle or funeral director's vehicle or disabled person's buggy or similar) shall enter or be used in the cemetery.

Dogs, including guide dogs, must be on a lead and under full control.

...and finally, in order to keep the cemetery in good order:

Displays on Graves

Cut flowers shall be placed in a suitable container at the head of the grave and be maintained in a fresh state. We reserve the right to remove flowers, floral tributes and wreaths after a reasonable time or once they are past their life span.

The Board requests that no objects are placed on graves that may hinder maintenance of the grassed area.

Bottles, jars, jugs or other ornaments are not permitted.