



Bereavement Services Cemetery and Crematorium Fees 2025

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West Road Crematorium	
Cremation of an Adult (over 18 years)	
The fee includes an eco-friendly container for the temporary storage of cremated remains. a) Cremation and chapel time (30 minute service) £879 b) Medical referee fee £61 c) Environmental surcharge £95 (control of emissions)	£1035
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Direct Cremation of an Adult (over 18 years)	
The fee includes an eco-friendly container for the temporary storage of cremated remains. a) Cremation only (no service) (£487) b) Medical referee fee £61 c) Environmental surcharge £95 (control of emissions)	£643
Cremation of a Child (24 weeks – 18 years and under)	
No medical referee fee charged for children 18 years and under, or for a mother and stillborn child in one coffin	No charge
Cremation of Body Parts	
	£203
Scattering of Cremated Remains by Appointment	
Fee charged when the cremation took place at the West Road Crematorium	£43
Fee charged when the cremation has taken place at another crematorium	£76
Use of Crematorium Chapel	
The East or West Chapel can be booked for a 30 minute memorial service or, subject to availability, for an extended booking.	£203
Webcast Services	
The webcast services are provided by Obitus. The council cannot accept liability if the services are unavailable due to systems that are out of our control.	
Live webcast – remote access to a live web stream of the service (inclusive of VAT)	£36
Live webcast and 28 day download of the service – the 28 days will run from the date that Obitus upload the service (inclusive of VAT)	£53
Keepsake (DVD or USB) – there is an approximate wait of 4 weeks before the keepsake is dispatched to the Bereavement Services office (inclusive of VAT)	£59
Additional copy of a keepsake of the same type (inclusive of VAT)	£30

Cemeteries

All new graves must be purchased, with the exception of graves for children aged 18 years and under.

*If the deceased is regarded as a non-resident of Newcastle at the time of burial an additional interment fee will be charged unless:

- a) the deceased had purchased the Exclusive Rights of Burial as a resident;
- b) the deceased is the spouse of the person who purchased the Exclusive Rights as a resident;
- c) the deceased resided within the boundary of the city during the five years preceding their death.

Interment of an Adult (over 18 years)

Monday to Thursday 10.30am -2.30pm / Friday 10.30am – 2pm

Resident of Newcastle upon Tyne	£1118
*Non-resident of Newcastle upon Tyne	£2236

Interment of a Child – Full Burial and Cremated Remains (24 weeks up to and including 18 years)

Resident and Non-resident of Newcastle upon Tyne	No charge
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Interment of an Adult (over 18 years) Weekend and Bank Holidays 10.30am until 2.30pm

Resident of Newcastle upon Tyne	£2291
*Non-resident of Newcastle upon Tyne	£2836

Interment of Body Parts

Resident and non-resident of Newcastle upon Tyne	£338
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Interment of Cremated Remains Monday to Thursday, 10.30am until 2.30pm / Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 10.30am until 2.30pm

Resident of Newcastle upon Tyne	£338
*Non-resident of Newcastle upon Tyne	£676

Wooden Liner

Manufacture and provision of a wooden liner	£237
Manufacture and provision of wooden liner (heavier board)	£267

Test Dig

The deed holder of a grave has the right to request a test dig to determine whether the grave will take a further burial. The test dig fee will be deducted from the next burial fee.	£135
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Exhumation - A minimum charge will be applied for the exhumation. The final fee is subject to change, depending on the circumstances of the exhumation.

Adult (minimum fee)	£2272
Adult (minimum fee) in relation to Police investigation or DNA testing	£1362
Child (minimum fee)	£1136
Cremated remains (minimum fee)	£957

Exclusive Rights of Burial – all new graves must be purchased, with the exception of graves for children aged 18 years and under.

**The Exclusive Rights of Burial fees will be increased where a person at the time of death was not regarded as a resident of Newcastle upon Tyne, unless:

- a) the Exclusive Rights are purchased at the time of the burial;
- b) the deceased had resided within the boundary of the city within the five years prior to their death;
- c) The deceased is a baby between 24 weeks up to and including 18 years.

Purchasing the Exclusive Rights to a grave does not grant ownership of the grave but does give the deed holder control over further burials in the grave, if there is space, and over any memorials that may be placed on the grave, subject to the Cemetery Rules and Regulations.

The deed holder must make an application for a memorial to Newcastle City Council via a mason who has been verified on our registered list of stonemasons. The Council reserves the right to remove any memorial that does not meet with the requirements of the Cemetery Rules and Regulations.

The rights to a grave may be purchased in advance, or for memorial purposes only. In these instances, the fee is determined by the address of the purchaser.

Exclusive Rights of Burial – Full Size Grave for a period of 50 years from the date of purchase

Resident of Newcastle upon Tyne – grave for one burial	£1016
**Non-resident of Newcastle upon Tyne – grave for one burial	£2034
Resident of Newcastle upon Tyne – grave for two burials	£1271
**Non-resident of Newcastle upon Tyne – grave for two burials	£2542
Resident of Newcastle upon Tyne – grave for three burials (subject to the conditions at the time of the preparation of the grave)	£1525
**Non-resident of Newcastle upon Tyne – grave for three burials (subject to the conditions at the time of the preparation of the grave)	£3049
Resident and Non-resident fee for baby burial in baby section	£651
Concrete Vault	£1870
Exclusive Rights of Burial - Cremation Plot for a period of 50 years from the date of purchase	
Resident of Newcastle upon Tyne	£651
**Non-resident of Newcastle upon Tyne	£1302

Cemetery Memorials

Memorial fees are not charged where the exclusive rights were purchased after 29 September 1992.

An application must be made via a memorial stonemason who is registered with Newcastle City Council to work in the council run cemeteries. The council reserves the right to remove any memorial that has been installed illegally, or is in contravention of the Cemetery Rules and Regulations.

For information regarding the registered memorial masons or the Cemetery Rules and Regulations, please contact the Bereavement Services office.

Headstone

Purchase of the exclusive rights required	£371
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Plaque / Flat Stone (not permitted without a headstone)

Purchase of the exclusive rights required	£98
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Added Inscription

Purchase of the exclusive rights required	£98
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Tablet Vase Set

Purchase of the exclusive rights is not required	£294
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Vase

Purchase of the exclusive rights is not required	£37
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Replacement Memorial

Fee to replace a memorial. Purchase of the exclusive rights required	£72
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Construction of a vault for a single grave

	£1317 cost price plus 15%
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Kerbstone Sets - the kerbset fee is always charged irrespective of when the exclusive rights were purchased

Kerbset with headstone – fee if exclusive rights purchased on or before 29 September 1992 (not permitted on lawn sections or cremation plots)	£903
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Kerbset only (not permitted on lawn sections or cremation plots)	£511
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Border Kerbs - the fee for border kerbs is always charged irrespective of when the exclusive rights were purchased

Maximum: 4ft wide x 2ft depth (permitted on lawn, babies and ordinary sections)	£153
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Clean and Renovate

Assessment of application for clean and renovate, including the administration process and issue of a permit	£32
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Structural Assessment of Memorials

Structural assessment of memorials where the height exceeds 4ft	£32
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Non-Grave Memorial Schemes (fees inclusive of VAT)	
Book of Remembrance (minimum two-line entry up to a maximum of eight lines)	
Entry per line	£49
Folded Remembrance Card	
Remembrance card (minimum two-line entry)	£49
Each additional line of entry	£26
Miniature Book of Remembrance	
Miniature Book (minimum of two-line entry)	£105
Each additional line of entry	£26
Emblem in Book of Remembrance, Folded Remembrance Card or Miniature Book of Remembrance	
Emblem (a minimum of five lines must be purchased for all entries with an emblem in the Book of Remembrance)	£153
Family Crest or Badge in Book of Remembrance, Folded Remembrance Card, or Miniature Book of Remembrance	
Family crest or badge (an eight-line entry must be purchased with a family crest or badge for all entries in the Book of Remembrance)	£215
Hall of Remembrance – Leather Memorial Panel	
Single leather memorial panel (five-year lease with the option to renew or have your panel returned at the end of the term)	£392
Double leather memorial panel (five-year lease)	£773
Renewal of leather memorial panel lease for a further five years	£215
Indoor Columbarium – Located on the First Floor in the Hall of Remembrance	
Lease of a niche in the indoor columbarium for ten years	£657
Lease of a niche in the indoor columbarium for five years	£392
Outdoor Columbarium Wall	
Lease of Sanctum Vault in Outdoor Columbarium Wall for ten years (capacity to hold up to two sets of ashes)	£982
Lease of Sanctum Vault in Outdoor Columbarium Wall for five years	£534
Placement of second casket in Outdoor Columbarium Wall	£153
Outdoor Columbarium Single Sanctum Vault	
Lease of Single Sanctum Vault in Outdoor Columbarium for ten years	£1338
Lease of Single Sanctum Vault in Outdoor Columbarium for five years	£731
Outdoor Single Barbican Kerb Block (single granite vase block with plaque)	
Lease of Barbican Granite Kerb Block for five years (text and photo)	£642
Lease of Barbican Granite Kerb Block for five years (text only)	£565
Renewal of Lease for Barbican Granite Kerb Block for a further five years	£215
Outdoor Barbican Tower Memorial	
Lease of Barbican Plaque (text only) for ten years	£719
Lease of Barbican Plaque (text only) for five years	£392
Lease of Barbican Plaque (text and design) for ten years	£773
Lease of Barbican Plaque (text and design) for five years	£466

Snowdrop Remembrance Garden	
Lease of Snowdrop Plaque for ten years	£110
Renewal of Snowdrop Plaque for five years	£45
Additional Plaque – Wooden Seat	
Additional plaque on an existing wooden seat Please note that we are not offering a memorial scheme for new wooden seats at this time.	£160
Vase – Wooden Seat	
Vase for an existing wooden seat	£86
Memorial Benches	
5 year initial lease (including plaque)	£1080
10 year initial lease (including plaque)	£1440
5 year lease extension	£600
Additional Plaque	£190
Second and subsequent use of bench, 10 year term (new customer)	£1080

Bereavement Office and Cemetery Services Miscellaneous Fees	
Transfer of the Exclusive Rights of Burial to a new deed holder (for example, by a Statutory Declaration or assignment)	
Administration fee	£49
Records Search	
Fee for each search, one name only, inclusive of VAT (please note that our records are in hard copy registers and the searches can take some time. We require the name of the person and an approximate date of death to be able to search the records)	£32
Certified Copy of a Cremation or Burial Register Extract	
Fee inclusive of VAT	£20
Grave Location	
Appointment to meet on site to be shown the location of a grave or for the grave to be marked up	£42
Grave Dressings – completed in June and October, fees applicable for one grave dressing	
Full size grave (fee inclusive of VAT)	£160
Floral strip (lawn sections) (fee inclusive of VAT)	£79
Cremation plot (fee inclusive of VAT)	£79
Baby grave plot (fee inclusive of VAT)	£79
Grave Tidy	
One off service offered for litter and weeds to be removed, rake gravel and edge the grass (fee inclusive of VAT)	£43
Memorial Masons Registration Fee	
One payment applicable for the administration process for the council's Register of Memorial Masons (fee inclusive of VAT)	£79

