

FAKENHAM TOWN COUNCIL
QUEEN'S ROAD AND CREAKE ROAD CEMETERIES
1 September 2025 – 31 August 2026

PART I INTERMENTS

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| 1 | (i) The body or cremated remains of stillborn child or a child whose age at the time of death did not exceed 18 years. | No charge |
| | (ii) The body of a person whose age at the time of death exceeded 18 years, in a plot not exceeding 7ft by 3ft | £250.00 |
| | (iii) The body of a person whose age at the time of death exceeded 18 years, in a Bariatric Section plot not exceeding 7ft by 4ft6" | £375.00 |
| 2 | For the interment of cremated remains in a designated Ashes Section, or in any other section when an existing grave is to be reopened. | £150.00 |

Where ashes are to be interred outside of a designated Ashes Section, and this constitutes the first interment in the plot, the appropriate interment fee for that section will apply.

PART II EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS OF BURIAL IN EARTHEN GRAVES

Exclusive Right of Burial MUST be purchased at the time of interment. Common graves **cannot** be re-opened unless an ERB is purchased — see paragraph 45 for purchaser eligibility.

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| 1 | (i) Exclusive right of burial (50 years) for a plot in the Children's Section (up to 18 years of age) | No charge |
| | (ii) Exclusive Right of Burial (50 years) for a plot outside the Children's Section (up to 18 years of age) | £90.00 |
| | (iii) Exclusive right of burial (50 years) for a plot not exceeding 7ft by 3ft | £325.00 |
| | (iv) Exclusive right of burial (50 years) for a plot in the Bariatric Section not exceeding 7ft by 4ft6" | £488.00 |
| 2 | Exclusive right of burial (50 years) for a cremated remains plot not exceeding 2ft by 2ft, located in a designated Ashes Section only. | £150.00 |

Where the Exclusive Right of Burial is for the interment of cremated remains outside of a designated Ashes Section, the appropriate fee applicable to that section will apply.

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| 3 | Transfer fee for Exclusive Right of Burial
Initial fee includes first 2 hours of consultation, legal documentation preparation, and issuing of Deed. Thereafter an hourly rate will apply. | £40.00

£22.00ph |
| 4 | Optional 5-year renewal of Exclusive Right of Burial up to a maximum of 99 years | £40.00 |

PART III MONUMENTS, GRAVESTONES, TABLETS AND MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS

All fees listed in this section include the cost of the first inscription

- 1 For the right to erect or place on a grave or vault in respect of which the exclusive right of burial has been granted:
 - (i) A flat stone
 - (a) not exceeding 1ft6" by 1ft6" and 4" in height £100.00
 - (b) not exceeding 1ft6" by 1ft6" and 4" in height, on the grave of a child whose age at the time of death did not exceed 18 years £45.00
 - (ii) An ashes tablet
 - (a) not exceeding 1ft6" by 1ft6" and 1ft in height £150.00
 - (b) not exceeding 1ft6" by 1ft 6" and 1ft in height on the grave of a child whose age at the time of death did not exceed 18 years £60.00
 - (iii) A headstone
 - (a) not exceeding 4 feet in height £325.00
 - (b) not exceeding 4 feet in height on the grave of a child whose age at the time of death did not exceed 18 years £80.00
 - (iv) A memorial vase
Must be unbreakable, made of natural stone or similar durable material consistent with headstone construction £80.00
- 2 For the right to erect or place on a Common Grave:
 - i) a wooden cross not exceeding 1ft6" in height £60.00

(It should be noted that no rights of burial are granted or implied with this right and the grave remains common. (The cross must not be cemented in the ground)

Additional inscriptions (per inscription) £70.00

PART IV SEARCHES OR REGISTERS AND COPIES TAKEN THEREFROM

Every search covering a period of not more than one year	£22ph charged
Every additional year	in full hour
Every certified copy of an entry of burial in the registers	increments

All fees, payments, and charges listed in this section apply to residents. For all non-resident cases, fees, payments, and charges will be doubled, except for fees listed at Part II paragraph 3 Transfer fee for the Exclusive Right of Burial only, which apply at the standard rate regardless of residency.

Definitions

RESIDENT AND NON-RESIDENT FEES - THE CRITERIA AND RULES

Resident

A person (adult or child) will be considered a resident if, at the time of death, they:

- had lived within the Parishes of Fakenham (including the west side of Sandy Lane and Sculthorpe Eastgate), Hempton, or Pudding Norton, and
- had been registered for Council Tax and/or on the Electoral Register (where applicable) for a minimum of one year.

For a stillborn child or a child under 18, residency may be established if at least one parent or legal guardian meets the above criteria.

Non-resident

A person (adult or child) will be considered a non-resident if they do **not meet the definition of a Resident** (as outlined above), **unless** the exception below applies.

In the case of a stillborn child or a child under 18, this applies if **neither** parent or legal guardian meets the Resident criteria.

Exceptions where the Resident fee may still apply:

The Resident rate **may be granted** if:

- The deceased was a former resident who moved outside the parish to receive end-of-life care (e.g. in a care home or hospice), within one year of death, and
- The applicant provides sufficient proof of previous qualifying residency, such as a Council Tax bill, driving licence, or other acceptable evidence, and
- All relevant details are included in the application.

If evidence cannot be provided, or residency cannot be verified, the non-resident rate will apply.

Exclusive Right of Burial Purchase, Interments & Memorial Applications

Exclusive Right of Burial (ERB)

Grave space reservations are not permitted. Exclusive Rights of Burial must be purchased at the time of any new interment.

Common Graves

The Exclusive Right of Burial for a common grave may be purchased at any time but **must** be obtained **prior to any re-opening of the grave or submission of an application to erect a memorial**. See **paragraph 45** for eligibility criteria.

The ERB purchase fee will be based on the residency status of the *purchaser(s), in accordance with the criteria set out above.

Transfer of Ownership

If the ERB of an unused, previously reserved grave is to be transferred to a new *owner(s), residency status will be assessed in accordance with the criteria set out above. A transfer from a resident to a non-resident will result in the higher (non-resident) ERB purchase fee being retrospectively applied in addition to the standard transfer fee.

Interments

Interment fees will be charged based on the residency status of the deceased being interred, in accordance with the criteria set out above. Specific examples are provided below for clarity:

Purchase and Interment at Point of Use

Where an ERB is purchased at the time of interment (as is now required), the applicable ERB and interment fee will be based on the residency status of the deceased, in accordance with the criteria set out above, not the ERB purchaser.

Use of Previously Reserved Graves (Reservations No Longer Permitted)

Interment into a previously reserved grave will be charged based on the residency status of the deceased, in accordance with the criteria set out above, not the ERB owner.

Interment into a Re-opened Grave

If a grave originally used for a resident is to be re-opened for the interment of a non-resident, in accordance with the criteria set out above, the non-resident interment rate will apply.

Memorial Applications

All memorial application fees will be based on the residency status of the applicant i.e. the ERB *owner(s), at the time of the application.

*** To qualify for the resident rate, *all* named ERB owners must meet the residency criteria.**

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