

# UPPER BEEDING PARISH COUNCIL

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## **Interment of Ashes at Upper Beeding Cemetery**

*NB: This document refers to the cemetery on the opposite site of the car park from St Peter's Church, not to the churchyard itself*

1. The cemetery may be used only for the interment of cremated ashes. Burials of entire remains are no longer permitted.
2. The cemetery is available only for the interment of the ashes of residents, or former residents, of Upper Beeding parish.
3. Charges for cremation plots, as at 1<sup>st</sup> September 2009, are as set out below. These charges may be changed from time to time without notice at the discretion of the Parish Council.

Child under 16	No charge
Resident adult	£125
Former resident	£175

Cheques to be payable to Upper Beeding Parish Council.

4. Arrangements for interment of ashes must be confirmed with the Clerk of the Parish Council, who will identify the plot to be used.
5. It is the responsibility of the persons arranging the interment of ashes to ensure (a) that the plot is appropriately dug; (b) that the memorial tablet is suitably placed, and (c) that any desired arrangements for a religious or civil ceremony have been made. Separate charges may be made for these services by those undertaking them.
6. Ashes are not to be interred in a container of any sort, but must be poured into the ground and covered with soil. Sufficient space should be allowed in a plot for two interments.
7. The place of interment may be marked by an unobtrusive stone (tablet, scroll, cross, or similar simple design in keeping with the nature of the cemetery), laid flat or upright, and not exceeding 12" x 8" x 8" in size. The wording on any memorial must be approved in advance by the Parish Council. Title to any memorial will vest in the Parish Council.
8. Only soft lime mortar may be used to set the memorial tablet.
9. No transient memorials other than flowers may be laid at the site.
10. The place of interment may be used for the interment of other ashes after a lapse of 25 years, provided that reasonable attempts have been made by the Council to enquire from the family of the deceased whether they have any objection. Should any objection be raised, the family will be invited to renew the usage at the fee then current.
11. The place of interment will be recorded in the Parish Council offices.

