



Graveyard Rules **Gellionnen Chapel** **(June 2020)**

Permission

Written permission from the Graveyard Secretary will have to be obtained before any burials, re-opening of graves or internment of ashes. Any person who carries out work in the graveyard including stonemasons will also need the written permission of the Graveyard Secretary before any work is carried out. They will be expected to follow health and safety rules and have public liability insurance. They will also be expected to complete the work within a reasonable time scale.

Graves

Space in the graveyard for new graves is limited, therefore requests from chapel members only will be agreed.

Size of Burial Plots

All burial plots to be 4ft wide and 7ft long with 1ft gap between plots at the side and at the front. Headstones only will be allowed, with no curbs or slabs permitted.

Depth of Graves

All burials must be between 6ft and 8ft deep.

Types of Gravestone

The only type of headstone permitted will be traditional grey or black. Not more than 2ft 9ins wide or 2ft 9ins in height including the plinth. Plinth to be no more than 1ft out from the gravestone, including a vase for flowers. All lettering to be in gold or silver.

Time Limit for placing Headstones.

The Headstone is to be erected within 4 years of burial. If this is not completed the earth will be scattered and a small stone with the deceased name will be placed there. The family would be liable for the cost.

Internment of Ashes

Space in the graveyard is limited, therefore requests from members only will be agreed. Requests from friends of the chapel and family members will be considered.

Depth of the grave not to be less than 2ft deep. The plot is to be dug by an approved grave digger only. Plots to be 2ft wide with 9ins gap between plots, length of plot to be 2ft 6ins with 1ft gap before the next plot. A small memorial stone can be erected in the traditional plain style of black or grey with the lettering in gold or silver, laid flat or slightly tilted. Size of memorial stone can be 1ft wide by 1ft 6ins length that can include a vase for flowers.

All other requests to be forwarded to the committee.