

City of Wolverhampton Council
Bereavement Services
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MEMORIAL REGULATIONS

Damage

The Council will not be responsible for any damage due to natural causes or by a third party to any memorial or additional items on any grave. Memorials remain the grave owner's responsibility and must be maintained in a proper safe, state of repair at all times. The Council recommends that all memorials on graves are insured by the grave owner.

Removal of Articles

The Council reserves the right to remove any neglected, unsightly, broken, dilapidated, dangerous or unsafe articles or materials from any grave. Articles placed on any turfed grave area will be removed.

Unauthorised Memorials

The Council reserves the right to remove any unauthorised memorial, fence, brick border etc without prior notice. No grave mound, kerbing or other surround will be permitted in any section of a Cemetery declared to be a "Lawn Section". The following Cemeteries are classed as Lawn Plot Cemeteries: Penn, Hall Green, Danescourt, Beacon Hill, Bushbury and some areas within Bilston and Merridale Cemeteries.

Planting/Shrubs

All plants/shrubs brought into the cemetery must be in containers and placed on the memorial, plinth, gravel or slabs and must not encroach onto grassed areas or any adjoining graves. There shall be no planting directly into the grave or channels.

Fences/borders etc

Fences/borders etc are only permitted on certain sections within Bushbury Cemetery. Please contact the Crematorium office for further information.

Chippings

Shall be allowed only in areas where the Council have previously supplied them.

Wind Chimes

Shall not be permitted in any cemetery and these will be removed.

Other items

Shall be allowed only if placed on memorials, plinths, gravel or slabs and must not encroach onto grassed areas or any adjoining graves. No item shall exceed 15" in height. Any item that causes problems for grounds maintenance operations shall be removed without prior notice.

Material

Granite, Marble, or similar durable stone. The Council will consider alternative requests based on their merits, but reserves the right to refuse.

Ceramic Photographs

Are permitted on all memorials.

Trade Names

Any trade names shall be inscribed on the bottom left hand corner of the memorial.

Numbering

All memorials shall be inscribed with the grave number, on the front bottom right hand corner. Numbers must not be inscribed on the side or rear of a headstone.

Free Standing Vases -Shall be allowed but must be placed on the memorial, plinth, gravel or slabs. Vases must not encroach onto grassed areas or any adjoining graves.