



Burial Ground Fees Effective from 1st April 2024

**All Enquires should be made to: 1 Windsor Parade, Barton-le-Clay, Bedford MK45 4NA
Telephone: (01582) 883990. Email: theparishclerk@bartonleclay-pc.gov.uk**

Definition of a Resident

The fee for the Grant of Exclusive Right of Burial shall be subject to a multiple of 5 where the purchaser of such Grant was not ordinarily resident within the Parish of Barton-le-Clay.

Similarly, the fee for interment shall be subject to a multiple of 5 where the deceased was not ordinarily resident within the Parish of Barton-le-Clay, except that the Council would grant a concession to waive the multiple of 5 for an interment in the case of ;

1. those requiring nursing in residential or hospital care outside of the Parish who have a minimum five years' residence qualification that extends to the date of their moving in to residential or hospital care.
2. those requiring the care of family outside of the Parish who have a minimum of five years' residency qualification that extends to the date of their moving into the care of family members.
3. such concession to remain available to qualifiers for a period of ten years from the date of their moving into residential, hospital or family care.
4. such concession would exclude those who have left the village of their own volition then returned to residential or hospital care in the immediate neighbourhood, unless described in No.5 below.
5. those who have moved from the parish of Barton-le-Clay within the 12 months preceding death, having previously been a resident throughout the previous 5 years.
6. a still born child or the body of a person whose age at the time of death did not exceed twelve years, where one of the parents is, or at the time of the infant death was, a resident of Barton-le-Clay.

The fees stated:

- (a) Do not include the digging of the grave or the minister's fees.
- (b) Apply only where interment is made between the hours of 10am and 4pm on a weekday or where the interment is made on a certificate from a Coroner or a Registered Medical Practitioner that interment is necessary. In any other cases an additional £112.00 will be payable.
- (c) Apply provided that the interment is made within thirty minutes of the time arranged with the Parish Clerk. An additional £29.00 will be charged for each hour or part of thereafter.

Non-Residents

Applications for the burial or interment of cremated remains of non-residents in the Barton-le-Clay Burial Ground, **must first be made in writing to the Parish Council**. If consent is granted by the Council the fees will be **five times (x5) all charges previously stated (purchase of exclusive right of burial and interment fee)**. **New Memorials will be charged as stated in these fees and reviewed annually.**

Please Note:

Funeral Directors/Stone Masons - Cheques for the above-mentioned charges should be made payable to *Barton-le-Clay Parish Council* and sent to the Parish Office at 1 Windsor Parade, Barton-le-Clay, Bedford, MK45 4NA. In the event of query please telephone (01582) 883990.

Relatives are advised that payments should be made via the Funeral Director or Stone Mason.

All fees must be paid at the time of booking. Five working days' notice is required for all graves. In the case that a brick grave is to be constructed ten working days' notice will be required.

Please refer to our Burial Ground Regulations for further details.

Part 1 – Purchase of Exclusive Rights of Burial:

The Exclusive Right of Burial, for a period of 99 years, must be purchased for all burials and for the interment of cremated remains within the cemetery and garden of rest. The fees are as follows:

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| (a) An earthen grave 8ft x 3ft 6" (adult plot) where no previous interment has taken place | £350.00 |
| (b) A child plot earthen grave where no previous interment has taken place, or where a previous interment of a family member has taken place but no Exclusive Rights of Burial were previously purchased. | £ 80.00 |
| (c) An earthen plot within the Garden of Rest. | £230.00 |

Transfer of Exclusive Right of Burial fee £ 40.00

NB: Once purchased all graves/plots must be marked with either a RESERVED plaque or by way of a temporary cross or permanent headstone stating the name of the deceased.

Part 2 – All Interments:

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| (a) The body of a stillborn child, or the body of a person whose age at the time of death did not exceed twelve years | No Charge |
| (b) The body of a person whose age at the time of death was over twelve years. | £350.00 |
| (c) Cremated remains within a new or existing, earthen 2ft x 2ft grave in the Garden of Rest | £230.00 |
| (d) Cremated remains in a new or existing full burial earthen grave plot (8ft x 3ft 6") | £230.00 |

N.B: Parts (c) and (d) are subject to an additional charge of **£80.00** (Monday to Friday) for the digging and filling of plots within the Garden of Rest.

The scattering of ashes is prohibited within the Burial Ground and the Garden of Rest.

Part 3 – Gravestones Tablets & Inscriptions – Burial Area:

NB: Only those Memorial Masons who are members of NAMM or BRAMM will be authorised to erect memorials in the Barton-le-Clay Cemetery, and all memorials must be ground anchored.

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| (a) A flat stone maximum size 18" x 18" | £174.00 |
| | Non-resident fee £260.00 |
| (b) A wedge-shaped stone maximum size 18" x 18", maximum height 2" rising to maximum 4" | £139.00 |
| | Non-resident fee £208.00 |
| (c) A headstone maximum size 3ft x 3ft | £174.00 |
| | Non-resident fee £260.00 |
| (d) Flat stone Ashes interment plaque, 12" x 12" to be installed on the site of the ashes | £139.00 |
| Interment | Non-resident fee £208.00 |

Note: No monuments, kerbstones, border stones or stone chippings are permitted.

Part 4 – Gravestones, Tablets & Inscriptions – Garden of Rest:

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| (a) A flat stone plinth maximum size 12" deep x 19" wide | £139.00 |
| | Non-resident fee £208.00 |
| (b) A headstone with a plinth maximum 20" high x 18" wide, mounted on a plinth 12" x 19" wide | £174.00 |
| | Non-resident fee £260.00 |
| (c) A wedge-shaped stone maximum size 12" deep x 19" wide x (H)2" rising to maximum 4" | £139.00 |
| | Non-resident fee £208.00 |
| (d) A vase | £ 75.00 |
| | Non-resident fee £112.50 |
| (e) Additional inscription to an existing memorial | £ 58.00 |
| | Non-resident fee £ 87.00 |

Other Charges:

Fees for searches of registrations and copies of extracts from the Register are chargeable. These are fixed by Section 8 of the Burial Act 1853 as follows:

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| (a) Every search covering a period of up to 5 years
(Searches for periods in excess of 5 years will be charged as above rate plus the hourly rate of the Clerk to the Council) | £ 13.00 |
| (b) Every certified copy of an entry of the burial in the Register | £ 8.00 |