

Burial Ground Fees Effective from 1st May 2025

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 into 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 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.4 below.
- 4. 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.
- **5.** 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). Memorials will be charged as stated in these fees and reviewed annually.

Please Note:

All fees must be paid at the time of booking. Five working days' notice is required for all graves. 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:

(a)	Earthen Burial Grave (8ft x 3ft 6")	£400.00
(b)	A child Grave	£100.00
(c)	Cremated Remains Grave within the Garden of Rest	£280.00

Transfer of Exclusive Right of Burial fee

£ 45.00

NB: All graves/plots must be marked with a temporary cross or permanent headstone stating the name of the deceased

Part 2 – All Interments*

(a) The body of a stillborn child, or the body of a person whose age at the time of death did	No	
not exceed twelve years	Charge	
(b) The body of a person whose age at the time of death was over twelve years	£370.00	
(c) Cremated remains within a new or existing, earthen 2ft x 2ft grave in the Garden of Rest	£250.00	
(d) Cremated remains in a new or existing full burial earthen grave plot (8ft x 3ft 6")	£250.00	
Grave digging – cremated remains graves only		

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

Part 3 - Memorials

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 Earthen Burial graves – the following memorials are permitted:

- (a) A flat stone maximum size 18" x 18"
- (b) A wedge-shaped stone maximum size 18" x 18", maximum height 2" rising to maximum 4"
- (c) A headstone maximum size 3ft x 3ft
- (d) Flat stone Ashes interment plaque, 12" x 12" to be installed on the site of the ashes interment

£190.00

Non-resident fee £285.00

Note: Monuments, Kerbstones, Border stones or stone chippings are NOT permitted. Requests for a below ground wooden surround (full graves only) should be submitted to the Parish Clerk for consideration by the Committee. Surrounds and planting are not permitted on cremated remains graves

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

- (a) A flat stone plinth maximum size 12" deep x 19" wide
- (b) A headstone with a plinth maximum 20" high x 18" wide, mounted on a plinth 12" x 19" wide
- (c) A wedge-shaped stone maximum size 12" deep x 19" wide x (H)2" rising to maximum 4"
- (d) A vase

£190.00

Non-resident fee £285.00

Additional inscription to an existing memorial

£ 80.00

Non-resident fee £120.00

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:

(a) Every search covering a period of up to 5 years £ 13.00 (Searches for periods in excess of 5 years will be charged as above rate plus the hourly rate of the Clerk to the Council)

(b) Every certified copy of an entry of the burial in the Register

£ 8.00