



# EASTERTON PARISH COUNCIL

## DROVE LANE CEMETERY RULES

- All new plots require an Exclusive Right of Burial Grant to be purchased, this a lease of a grave space for 99 years from the date of purchase. Easterton Parish Council retains ownership of all plots and land at the Drove Lane Cemetery.
- The cemetery is open to all past and present residents of the Parish of Easterton and their surviving spouses/partners and to all persons and their surviving spouses/partners dying within three miles of the cemetery. The cemetery is located on Drove Lane, SN10 4NT.
- Any relative of an existing interment (other than the surviving spouse/partner referred to above) not being a past or present resident of the Parish of Easterton may apply for a plot, subject to fees be doubled. In all other cases the fees will be doubled.
- No part of the cemetery is consecrated (grave of members of the Church of England can be individually blessed by the officiating minister). Funeral ceremonies shall be performed only by an accredited Minister or recognised Lay Preacher of a stated church and congregation.
- No footstones, kerbs or mounds of earth are allowed over any grave.
- Permission of the Parish Council must be obtained for the addition of inscriptions to existing to headstones and for erecting of new headstones.
- Nothing of a permanent nature can be added to a grave plot (other than the approved memorial) without first seeking the approval from the Parish Council.
- All graves and headstones erected thereon must be kept in good order and repair by the applicants. The Parish Council will not be responsible for any accident to, or disfigurement of, any headstones occasioned by storm, wind, lightening, subsidence, or any cause other than their own negligence, not for loss or injury sustained by any persons in consequence thereof.
- The council reserve the right to remove any headstone which may have fallen into decay, or re-turf over graves which are not properly maintained.

- A register of all burials shall be kept by the Clerk to the Parish Council and searches may be made during their working hours, a map of the cemetery is displayed on the Easterton website.
- Notice for any interment must be given to the Clerk to the Parish Council at least two days prior to interment.
- All burial fees and charges must be paid to the Clerk to the Parish Council at the time of application and all other fees before the work is begun in respect of which they are payable.
- The selection of the grave is subject to the approval of the Parish Council, but the wishes of applicants will be met as far as deemed practicable.
- Biodegradable flowers and decorations are preferred for the protection of our environment.

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