

Terms of Consent for the erection of memorials

1. Grave spaces in Stanwick Cemetery whether with an exclusive right of burial or not, remain in the ownership of Stanwick Parish Council. A right of burial gives only a right to inter a body and no control over the surface of the grave.
2. No memorial, whether on a grave or not, may be placed in Stanwick Cemetery without the Consent of Stanwick Parish Council.
3. Stanwick Parish Council issues the Consent under Regulation 10 of the Local Authorities Cemeteries Order 1977 for a period of up to one hundred years. The period of the Consent will not exceed the expiration of the Grant of Right of Burial previously issued for this grave space.
4. Consent granted under Regulation 10 of the Local Authorities Cemeteries Order 1977 constitutes a legal right which passes to the heirs of the person to whom it was originally granted (the successors in title).
5. The grave owner and the successors in title should ensure the Parish Council has their current contact details.
6. For the duration of the period of the Consent the memorial erected is the sole responsibility of the grave owner and the successors in title who must ensure the memorial is maintained in a safe and satisfactory condition.
7. The Council strongly recommends all grave owners obtain appropriate memorial insurance and regularly maintain or check them for safety
8. The grave owner and the successors in title that own the memorial are responsible for the condition of that memorial and are liable to the Council for the cost of any safety work. The Council reserves the right to enforce this condition as a contract.
9. It is a condition of this Consent that the memorials are maintained in a tidy and attractive manner.
10. The Council will periodically inspect all memorials to determine the safety and condition of the memorial.
11. In the case of urgent safety issues the Council will act promptly to remove the risk and will then recover the costs incurred from the owner of the memorial. Removal of risk does not require the Council to restore the memorial to its original condition.
12. Where the Council identifies a potential safety risk the Council will advise the owners of the memorial and require them to put it in a safe condition or remove it.
13. Where the owner of a memorial fails to carry out safety work or other conditions in this Consent the Council will take reasonable steps to recover the costs or enforce the conditions.
14. At the end of the Consent the owner may remove the memorial from the Cemetery.
15. At the end of the Consent, if the owner does not remove the memorial the Council may remove it to another place in the Cemetery or destroy it after giving statutory notice.
16. The Council will not be responsible for any damage, theft or vandalism or any other circumstances beyond the control of the council.
17. The terms of this Consent should be read in conjunction to the Rules and Regulations of Stanwick Cemetery, with particular reference to section 7.