

# NEWPORT PARISH COUNCIL

## Purchase of Exclusive Right of Burial

### First Applicant's Details

Full name (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms (Print)

Address including postcode

Telephone

Email

Signature

Date

### Second Applicant's Details (if required)

Full name (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms (Print)

Address including postcode

Telephone

Email

Signature

Date

### Details of type of grave required (please circle)

Adult lawn

Child lawn

Newborn lawn

Cremated remains plot

Purchase fee

Date paid

Method of payment

Office use only

Grave number

Deed number

Date issued

## **Guidance notes on purchasing a grave**

### **Purchasing a grave**

When buying a grave it is important that you understand what it is that you are actually purchasing. You are not purchasing any land and no ownership of land is transferred to you. What you will be purchasing are the Exclusive Rights of Burial for a grave for an agreed period of time. These Rights will be assigned to you by a Deed of Grant which is a legal document.

The Deed grants you the right to:

- be buried in a designated grave if space is available (includes cremated remains);
- authorise further burials in the grave where space is available, or for the interment of cremated remains;
- apply for a permit to place an inscribed memorial on the grave or give permission for an additional inscription to be added.

By law, a purchased grave may only be opened for the burial of the Deed owner or for the burial of another person with the written permission of the Deed holder. The Deed must be transferred by legal process should somebody else wish to arrange a further burial in the grave or erect or change a memorial. You should keep the Deed safe as it forms part of your estate.

**Please note that unpurchased graves do not have any additional Rights and therefore no memorial is permitted.**

### **Lawned graves**

All graves and cremated remains plots are lawned. You can apply for a permit (fee payable) to place a memorial headstone on a grave space or to place a memorial plaque on a cremated remains plot. NO kerbs, fences or surrounds are permitted on the grave and will be removed without further notice. No trees or shrubs may be planted on the grave. Maintenance of the memorial is the responsibility of the grave owner and cemetery staff will maintain the lawned grounds.

### **Cremation Grave**

These plots are smaller than full size graves and are for the burial of cremated remains only.

Please note that all new graves are subject to soil consolidation where the grave appears to sink. This is a natural process and cemetery staff will maintain the grave levels by topping up the soil level.

**Full details of the rules governing graves, cremated remains plots and memorials are included in the document 'Newport Cemetery Rules'.**