

Plaques

Granite or marble plaques are allowed to be laid flat at the head of the grave. A permit fee is required prior to the installation or re-inscription of a plaque.

- Purchased graves may have two plaques 610mm x 305mm x 50mm (2' x 1' x 2") giving a maximum area of 1220mm x 305mm x 50 mm (4' x 1' x 2") together with ONE floral tribute only, or are allowed a desktop design of 610mm x 508mm (2' x 1'8") maximum height of 203mm (8") at the back, sloping to 50mm (2") with the vase incorporated into the back and a maximum width of 1,220mm (4').
- Cremated remains plots may have two plaques 305mm x 305mm x 50mm (1' x 1' x 2") or one plaque 610mm x 310mm x 50mm (2' x 1' x 2") together with ONE floral tribute only or are allowed a desktop design of 2' x 1'8" maximum height of 8" at the back, sloping to 2" with the vase incorporated into the back.
- A child's grave may have one plaque 305mm x 305mm x 50mm (1' x 1' x 2") and ONE floral tribute.
- Common graves may have one plaque 305mm x 305mm x 50mm (1' x 1' x 2") per interment and ONE floral tribute.
- Plaques may be square, rectangular or in the shape of any recognised religious symbol, provided they do not exceed the above dimensions.

Regulations

Apart from those already mentioned, no other memorials are permitted at the cemetery. The aim is to keep the cemetery with the appearance of a lawn and, apart from the floral tributes, no upright memorials are permitted.

Gravel or stone chippings are NOT to be laid by individuals. A uniform strip of chippings will be put down by the council when the various rows are completed.

No dogs (apart from guide dogs) are permitted within the grounds of the cemetery.

Maintenance

The council is responsible for the following maintenance tasks in the cemetery.

- Grass cutting
- Shrub bed maintenance
- Rose bed maintenance
- Seasonal bedding maintenance
- Hedge cutting
- Sweeping of all paths
- Laying gravel strips
- Topping up graves and seeding
- Removing dead floral tributes
- Removing excess floral tributes

The council is not responsible for cleaning headstones.

Cemetery address

Allum Lane Cemetery
Allum Lane
Elstree
Borehamwood
Herts, WD6 3NN

Contact details

If you have any queries regarding the cemetery please contact the Cemetery Officer on 020 8207 7497, email cemetery@hertsmere.gov.uk or Hertsmere Borough Council Civic Offices, Elstree Way Borehamwood, Herts WD6 1WA

Opening times

The cemetery is open from 9am until 5pm every day of the year.

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History

Allum Lane Cemetery was originally opened in the early 1960s with the first burial in July 1962.

The cemetery is in the grounds of the old Radnor Hall, which was demolished in the late 1950s.

There is a natural water course running through the site and the lake can still be seen on the western boundary.

General

Like all lawn cemeteries, Allum Lane is designed to look neat and dignified and be easy to maintain. The council's regulations are aimed at keeping up the appearance of the cemetery.

Memorial Garden

The Memorial Garden and Commemorative schemes give people the opportunity to remember a loved one in a variety of ways. The schemes available are: Commemorative Trees, Wall Plaques and Benches. A separate leaflet is available on the Memorial Garden from the cemetery or the council offices.



Common Graves

There are a small number of Common Graves within Allum Lane Cemetery. There is a maximum of three burials in a common grave. Hertsmere Borough Council retains ownership of these graves.

Floral Tributes

After an interment the council places a marker on the grave. Wreaths and flowers are left on the grave for two weeks. They are then placed in the 'Remembrance Corner' for a further two weeks so you have the opportunity to remove any cards of condolence. The only floral tributes then allowed are:

i) A vase supplied by you must not exceed 200mm x 200mm x 200mm (8" x 8" x 8"). It must NOT be made of glass and only one vase is permitted on any one grave.

Or

ii) A pot plant not more than 610mm (24") high, contained in a pot not more than 200mm (8") across the top.

Extra tributes are allowed on special occasions, for example birthdays and anniversaries, but please inform the Cemetery Officer as the contractors have to be advised accordingly. Floral tributes in excess of one will be removed and placed in the 'Remembrance Corner'.



Cremated Remains

Each Cremated Remains or Ashes grave can contain up to four caskets.

New graves are situated in the TCR section although old graves can be re-opened until at full capacity.

Burials

Burials can take place within the consecrated or unconsecrated plots in the cemetery. These graves can be purchased for one, two or three interments.

Graves in the full plots can be re-opened with the permission of the grave owner providing that this grave is not already at its capacity.

Burials take place between 10.30 am and 2.30 pm. The cemetery is closed to traffic when a funeral is in progress.