



BEDFORD
BOROUGH COUNCIL

Norse Road Cemetery & Crematorium Fees

January 2026

Environment and Sustainable Communities

Category	Description	Details	01/01/2026 (Non Vatable)	01/01/2026 (inclusive of VAT)
Cremation Fees				
Cremation	Adult Cremation Service (From 10am Monday to Friday)	<p>For an adult exceeding their 18th Birthday at time of death.</p> <p>Fee includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapel use inclusive of music system for a 30 minute service within a 45 minute time slot. • Medical Referee Fees. • Environmental Surcharge. 	£1,149.95	
Cremation	Farewell Cremation Service (9am or 9:30am only)	<p>For an adult exceeding their 18th Birthday at time of death.</p> <p>Fee includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of Chapel Wheel Bier. • Chapel use limited to 15 minutes with a maximum of 2 pieces of music. • A maximum of 20 attendees. • Medical Referee Fees. • Environmental Surcharge. 	£647.95	
Cremation	Unattended (Direct) Cremation (8:30am or 5pm)	<p>For an adult exceeding their 18th Birthday at time of death.</p> <p>Fee includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of Chapel Wheel Bier. • Medical Referee Fees. • Environmental Surcharge. 	£440.55	
Cremation	Certificate of Cremation	Applicable to adult cremation fees should their cremated remains be collected from the crematorium.	£16.95	
Cremation	Under 18's Cremation Service	<p>A child not exceeding their 18th birthday at the time of death.</p> <p>Fee includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapel use inclusive of music system for a 30 minute service within a 45 minute time slot. • Medical Referee Fees. • Environmental Surcharge. • Certificate of Cremation. 	£0.00	

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Dispersal Fees				
Cremation	Unwitnessed Dispersal	An unattended/unwitnessed loose dispersal of cremated remains in the Gardens of Remembrance at Norse Road.	£80.20	
Cremation	Witnessed Dispersal	A witnessed/attended loose dispersal of cremated remains in the Gardens of Remembrance at Norse Road.	£161.00	
Cremation	Additional Dispersal	For witnessed or unwitnessed dispersal at the same time as another person's ashes.	£79.05	
Scattering Fees				
Cremation	Scattering of Ashes	Witnessed or unwitnessed scattering of ashes in the Blossom Garden for people cremated at Norse Road.	£0.00	
Cremation	Scattering of Ashes	Witnessed or unwitnessed scattering of ashes in the Blossom Garden for people cremated at a crematorium other than Norse Road.	£60.50 each	

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Additional Service Requirements for Chapel Use				
Additional Service Requirements	Use of Chapel	For use of Norse Road's Chapel before a interment at Norse Road or Foster Hill Road or for Additional Time in Chapel - 30 minute service time within a 45 minute time slot and includes use of the music system.	£359.55	
Additional Service Requirements	Webcast Services	Live & On Demand (previously Live Webcast plus 28 day downloadable link).		£56.60
Additional Service Requirements	Webcast Services	Keepsake copy of Webcast, Tribute or both on a USB.		£62.85
Additional Service Requirements	Webcast Services	Additional copies of USB keepsake.		£26.45
Additional Service Requirements	Visual Tribute	Single photo - shown throughout a service or at a specific time.		£14.60
Additional Service Requirements	Visual Tribute	Basic Slideshow (previously photo slideshow) with up to 25 photos - displayed on loop throughout the service or at a specified time during the service.		£46.15
Additional Service Requirements	Visual Tribute	Music Tribute (formerly Pro Tribute) - a photo slideshow with up to 25 photos, professionally co-ordinated with music.		£85.05
Additional Service Requirements	Visual Tribute	Family Supplied Tribute - family provided pre-made video with or without sound/music.		£21.85
Additional Service Requirements	Visual Tribute	Extra 25 photos - for either a Slideshow or Music Tribute.		£25.45
Additional Service Requirements	Visual Tribute	Extra work - includes changes to a tribute already made, adding video or multiple tracks to a pro tribute, timing photos to a specific part of the music in a pro tribute, editing or converting files for a family made tribute, turning Slideshow into a video file for a keepsake.		£25.45
Additional Service Requirements	Keepsake	Downloadable version of a Music Tribute.		£12.15
Additional Service Requirements	Keepsake	Video Book - a portable video of the service, Tribute or both, set in its own A5 electronic screen with 5 functional buttons, encased in a linen-wrapped 'book'.		£97.55
Additional Service Requirements	Keepsake	Memory Box - up to 25 photos to be professionally printed and delivered in a bespoke linen-wrapped box alongside your service, Tribute, or both, on DVD and USB Memory Stick.		£160.20

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Burial (Interment) Fees				
Children & Infants - a person whose age at time of death did not exceed their 18th birthday				
Interment	Earthen Grave	Resident / Non-Resident: Interment into an earthen grave at single depth.	£0.00	
Interment	Infant Burial Chamber	Resident: A single, below ground burial chamber - inclusive of Interment & Exclusive Right of Burial.	£247.65	
Interment	Infant Burial Chamber	Non-Resident: A single, below ground burial chamber - inclusive of Interment & Exclusive Right of Burial.	£408.65	
Interment	Child Burial Chamber	Resident: Interment in a single, below ground burial chamber - inclusive of Exclusive Right of Burial.	£866.65	
Interment	Child Burial Chamber	Non-Resident: Interment in a single, below ground burial chamber - inclusive of Exclusive Right of Burial.	£1,430.00	
Adult - a person whose age at time of death exceeded their 18th birthday				
New Grave / First Interment				
Interment	Earthen Grave	Resident: First interment in a new earthen grave up to a depth of 7ft.	£1,114.70	
Interment	Earthen Grave	Non-Resident: First interment in a new earthen grave up to a depth of 7ft.	£2,452.30	
Interment	Earthen Grave	Additional depth / width fee (per foot) for a new earthen grave (resident and non-resident).	£202.40	
Interment	Orchard	Resident: Interment in a single depth earthern grave in the Orchard section.	£1,104.15	
Interment	Orchard	Non-Resident: Interment in a single depth earthern grave in the Orchard section.	£2,428.95	
Interment	Mausoleum	Resident: Interment in a single cell mausoleum, incl. of fascia tablet & Exclusive Right of Burial.	£11,114.40	
Interment	Mausoleum	Non-Resident: Interment in a single cell mausoleum, incl. of fascia tablet & Exclusive Right of Burial.	£18,305.30	

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New Grave / First Interment <i>continued</i>				
Interment	Double Burial Chamber	Resident: First interment incl. Exclusive Right of Burial.	£6,869.90	
Interment	Double Burial Chamber	Non-Resident: First Interment incl. Exlcusive Right of Burial.	£11,335.35	
Interment	Single Burial Chamber	Resident: Interment fee incl. of Exclusive Right of Burial.	£4,673.80	
Interment	Single Burial Chamber	Non-Resident: Interment fee incl. of Exclusive Right of Burial.	£7,711.70	
Second / Subsequent Interment				
Interment	Earthen Grave	Resident: Subsequent interment in a re-opened earthen grave up to a depth of 5ft.	£663.80	
Interment	Earthen Grave	Non-Resident: Subsequent interment in a re-opened earthen grave up to a depth of 5ft.	£1,460.30	
Interment	Walled Earthen Grave	Resident: Subsequent interment in a re-opened, walled earthen grave up to a depth of 5ft.	£800.40	
Interment	Walled Earthen Grave	Non-Resident: Subsequent interment in a re-opened, walled earthen grave up to a depth of 5ft.	£1,760.85	
Interment	Woodland	Resident: Subsequent interment in a re-opened woodland grave.	£825.40	
Interment	Woodland	Non-Resident: Subsequent interment in a re-opened woodland grave.	£1,815.75	
Interment	Double Burial Chamber	Resident: Subsequent interment in a double burial chamber.	£498.35	
Interment	Double Burial Chamber	Non-Resident: Subsequent interment in a double burial chamber.	£1,020.00	
Interment	Cremated Remains	Resident: interment of cremated remains in an owned earthen grave (subject to permissions).	£203.90	
Interment	Cremated Remains	Non-Resident: interment of cremated remains in an owned earthen grave (subject to permissions).	£448.45	
Exhumation Fees				

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Exhumation	-	Exhumation of a full body from any grave.	POA	
Exhumation	-	Exhumation of cremated remains from an owned grave space	POA	
Residency Note				
<p>Residency applies to the deceased and is classed as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A person who's last address is within the boundary of Bedford Borough. • A person having moved to receive care/support and passed away within three years of moving out of the Borough. • Was the owner, or spouse of the owner, of the grave in which the interment will take place - providing the the owner was within the Borough when the grave space was purchased. • Previously resided in the Borough but was a serving member of the armed forces (or similar), living in temporary accommodation whose family still reside in the Borough. <p>Non-Residency applies to the deceased and is classed as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The person's last address was not situated within the boundaries of Bedford Borough. • Non-residency fees apply to safeguard space and ensure availability for those that live in the Borough. 				

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Exclusive Rights				
Child & Baby Earthen Grave Section				
Exclusive Rights of Burial	Earthen Grave	Resident: 4ft 6 in by 4ft (Baby / Child) for a lease period of 75 years. Claimed through CFF within one month of burial.	£203.90	
Exclusive Rights of Burial	Earthen Grave	Non-Resident: 4ft 6 in by 4ft (Baby / Child for a lease period of 75 years.	£407.85	
Gravestones & Monumental Inscriptions	Right to Erect a Memorial	Right to erect a headstone not exceeding 900mm height x 600mm width x 100mm thickness.	£158.45	
Gravestones & Monumental Inscriptions	Right to Erect a Memorial	Right to place a vase in place of a headstone not exceeding 150mm in height.	£93.45	
Adult - a person whose age at time of death exceeded their 18th birthday				
Exclusive Rights of Burial	Earthen Grave	Resident: 9ft by 4ft for a lease period of 75 years.	£917.80	
Exclusive Rights of Burial	Earthen Grave	Non-Resident: 9ft by 4ft for a lease period of 75 years.	£1,835.50	
Gravestones & Monumental Inscriptions	Right to Erect a Memorial	Right to erect a headstone not exceeding 900mm height x 600mm width x 100mm thickness on an earthen grave.	£347.10	
Gravestones & Monumental Inscriptions	Right to Erect a Memorial	Right to place a vase in place of a headstone not exceeding 150mm in height on an earthen grave.	£136.55	
Gravestones & Monumental Inscriptions	Permit Fee	Permit fee should a headstone require installation, removal for additional inscription, reparation, setting or similar purpose.	£110.70	
Exclusive Rights of Burial	Garden Burial Plot	Resident: Cremated remains grave for a lease period of 75 years. Includes first interment fee, exclusive rights and right to erect a memorial.	£1,397.65	
Exclusive Rights of Burial	Garden Burial Plot	Non-Resident: Cremated remains grave for a lease period of 75 years. Includes first interment fee, exclusive rights and right to erect a memorial.	£2,795.45	
Adult exclusive rights and right to erect a memorial for a new earthen grave - Resident				£1,264.90
Adult exclusive rights and right to erect a memorial for a new earthen grave - Non-Resident				£2,182.60
Baby / Child exclusive rights and right to erect a memorial for a new earthen grave (Child / Baby Section)				£362.35
Resident (Claimed through CFF 30 days after Burial)				

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Memorial Fees				
Book of Remembrance				
Book of Remembrance	2 lines (minimum entry)	Text only.		£104.55
Book of Remembrance	Additional lines	Per line.		£55.00
Book of Remembrance	Miniature Flowers	Minimum 5 lines inscription.		£158.45
Book of Remembrance	Badges, Coats of Arms etc.	Minimum 8 lines inscription.		£220.45
Memorial Cards	2 lines (minimum entry)	Text only.		£66.95
Memorial Cards	Additional lines	Per line.		£27.05
Memorial Cards	Miniature Flowers	Minimum 5 lines inscription.		£127.65
Memorial Cards	Badges, Coats of Arms etc.	Minimum 8 lines inscription.		£197.65
Gardens of Remembrance				
Blossom Garden	Granite Mushroom	Whole mushroom incl. 5 customisable plaques and a 10 year lease.		£1,745.20
Blossom Garden	Granite Mushroom	Single customisable plaque with a 10 year lease.		£224.70
Blossom Garden	Granite Mushroom	Renewal of lease for a further 10 years (whole mushroom or single plaque).		£116.25
Blossom Garden	Mulberry Tree	Single customisable glass leaf including a 10 year lease.		£224.70
Blossom Garden	Mulberry Tree	Renewal of lease for a further 10 years.		£116.25
Blossom Garden	Single Bench Plaque	A single bench plaque on a communal bench in the Blossom garden for a lease period of 10 years.		£597.40
Orchard / Woodland	Oak Plaque with Stake	Engraved oak memorial plaque for placement in Orchard or Woodland areas for a lease period of 10 years.		£338.60
Orchard / Woodland / Blossom Garden	York Stone Boulder	Inclusive of inscription for a dedication period of 15 years.		£571.65

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Gardens of Remembrance				
Garden of Remembrance	Baby Memorial Plaque	Option of Train, Heart or Teddy Bear shape, inclusive of inscription and 15 year lease.		£152.20
Garden of Remembrance	Kerb Plaque	Renewal of lease for a further 15 years and/or replacement plaque.		£455.80
Garden of Remembrance	Hexagonal Vault Cover	Replacement plaque - 80 gilded letters.		£455.80
Garden of Remembrance	Leaf Vault	Inclusive of plaque, first inscription, urn & vase, plus first interment with lease period of 75 years.		£2,387.70
Garden of Remembrance	Sanctum 2000	Inclusive of plaque, first inscription, urn, vase block & posy plus first interment with lease period of 75 years.		£2,387.70
Garden of Remembrance	Sanctum 2000	Ornamentation.		£305.70
Garden of Remembrance	Sanctum 2000	Photo plaque.		£399.70
Garden of Remembrance	Sanctum 2000 / Leaf Vault	Additional lettering (per letter).		£8.16
Garden of Remembrance	Omega Niche	Second inscription.		£102.05
Garden of Remembrance	Tree Dedication	Dedication of trees already in situ for a period of 15 years - depending on availability.		£754.20
Garden of Remembrance	Rose Plaque	Rose plaque for placement in Gardens of Remembrance at Norse Road for a dedication period of 15 years.		£410.50
Garden of Remembrance	Bird & Bat Boxes	Inclusive of inscription for a dedication period for the life of the product.		£122.60
Garden of Remembrance	Poly-Wood Memorial Bench	Inclusive of one plaque, fitting and annual maintenance for a lease period of 15 years.		£1,581.55
Garden of Remembrance	Poly-Wood Memorial Bench	Additional bench plaque within same lease period.		£597.40

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Gardens of Remembrance continued				
Garden of Remembrance	Single vase block & tablet	Vase block with posy holder and inscribed plaque for a lease period of 15 years (immediate use or reservation).		£989.90
Garden of Remembrance	Single vase block & tablet	Renewal of lease for a further 15 years and/or replacement plaque.		£439.90
Garden of Remembrance	Single wall plaque	Single wall plaque with a 15 year lease (immediate use or reservation).		£506.60
Garden of Remembrance	Single wall plaque	Renewal of lease for a further 15 years.		£439.90
Garden of Remembrance	Double wall plaque	First inscription with 15 year lease (immediate use or reservation).		£838.90
Garden of Remembrance	Double wall plaque	Additional/second inscription within same lease period.		£116.60
Garden of Remembrance	Double wall plaque	Renewal of lease for a further 15 years.		£116.60
Garden of Remembrance	Barbican tablet	Inclusive of inscription and a lease period of 15 years (immediate use or reservation).		£506.60
Garden of Remembrance	Barbican tablet	Renewal of lease for a further 15 years.		£301.70
Garden of Remembrance	Bespoke design	Bespoke pictoral designs on a Sanctum cover, Leaf Vault cover, Wall Plaque, Barbican Tablet or Vase Block.		POA
Garden of Remembrance	Re-Gild	Re-gild of an inscription to a memorial (if within lease period).		POA
Supplementary Charges				
Supplementary Charges	Fees for Searches	Covers actual cost of genealogical research not related to an impending funeral - up to 5 searches.		£36.15
Supplementary Charges	Fees for Searches: Copies of Registry Entry	Covers actual cost of genealogical research not related to an impending funeral - up to 5 certified copies of an entry in the Registrar of Burials.		£36.15

Finding out more



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