

BRAMHOPE CEMETERY

ELIGIBILITY FOR INTERMENT

The following definition of eligibility for the purchase of and interment in both ashes and grave plots at Bramhope Cemetery was agreed by Bramhope & Carlton Parish Council at its meeting on 26th September 2007. The date of the last review and update is 22nd April 2026.

Terminology

For the sake of clarity someone eligible to purchase a grave or to be interred is referred to as a qualifying person and the eligible area as the catchment area (see below for definition).

Qualifying persons:

Current and former residents of the Bramhope and Carlton parishes including those living adjacent to the borders of Bramhope Parish Council (geographic Bramhope) as defined below are qualifying persons subject to the following limitations:-

- Recent residents cannot become qualifying persons until such time as they have lived in the catchment area for five years or more.
- Former residents of the catchment area can only be qualifying persons if they lived there either for at least five years within the last ten, or for some period of at least 20 years.
- Non-qualifying persons whether or not they have close family connections with a qualifying person are not eligible to purchase a grave or ashes plot.

Exclusive Rights Certificates and Reservations

A person purchasing an ashes plot or a grave, and who must by definition be a qualifying person at the time of the purchase, is issued with a 99 year exclusive rights certificate. It is recognised that gives the bearer exclusive rights to the use of the grave or plot over that period subject to its capacity and to the appropriate fees being paid at the time of any interment.

Eligibility Criteria for Interment Fees in Previously Reserved Plots

The following criteria apply when determining interment fees for previously reserved plots:

Residents' Fees

Resident rate interment fees apply to Grant of Exclusive Rights holders who have

continued to live in the Parish since purchasing their Grant of Exclusive Rights for their plot.

Grant Holders Who Have Moved Outside the Parish

Former residents who reserved a plot, but no longer live in the Parish at the time of interment will be charged interment fees according to the categories below.

- Grant holders who lived in the Parish for **5 years or more** in the last 10 will be charged the resident rate interment fee, subject to providing evidence of residency to the Clerk.
- Former residents who have not lived in the village for a period of 10 years or more on the date of death will be required to pay the non-residents fees
- Grant holders who do not meet the above criteria, or cannot provide the required residency evidence, will be charged the **non-resident interment fee**.

Non-Resident Fees

Non-resident interment fees apply to **anyone** living outside the cemetery catchment area, regardless of whether the **Grant holder** currently lives in, or has previously lived in, the Parish.

The Catchment Area (residential qualification)

The relevant catchment area is defined by the city council's polling districts as follows:

AWJ - comprises Bramhope parish

AWL - comprises that part of Arthington parish physically part of Bramhope

AWK - comprises unparished parts physically Bramhope and East Breary.

OYF - comprises Carlton parish

Note: Children living at the same address at a qualifying person are thereby regarded as being qualifying persons. Qualifying persons in polling districts AWL and AWK being adjacent to the two parishes are currently required to pay double fees.

In the event of dispute the electoral register will become the definitive document.

Eligibility Criteria for Kerbstone Memorial Plaques Only

Kerbstone memorial plaques can be purchased by any resident of Bramhope or Carlton Parish, including properties that comprise part of Arthington Parish that are physically part of Bramhope village, regardless of the length of time they have lived there for.

Plaques can also be purchased for non-residents who can demonstrate a close connection to the village. Applications should be made to the Clerk. Each non-resident application will be considered on an individual basis.

Variations and Exceptions

The Clerk to the Parish Council who is responsible for managing the cemetery is required to apply the rules as set out has no discretion in varying the rules as established by Bramhope & Carlton parish council.

Appendix

Qualifying persons' addresses subject to premium payments:-

AWL – Breary Lane East 7-17, High View, 27-101
Creskeld Crescent 17-19
Creskeld Drive 7-25, 2-28
Creskeld Garth 1-11, 2-12
Creskeld Lane 27-55, 32-52, Orchard House, Wood Top Farm
Creskeld Park 2-10
AWK - Arthington Rd – Breary Cottage, East Breary Coach House, The
Stables, East Breary Farmhouse and Black Dog Forge (ie all East Breary)
Breary Lane East 20-32
Creskeld Lane 2-12
Golden Acre – Park House
High Ridge Way
Kings Rd – Breary Grange Farm & No 23

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