

## 'Watchet Memorial Garden' Regulations Policy

Watchet Town Council is the Burial Authority in charge of the Cemetery in Brendon Road, Watchet. The Council has created an area to be known as the 'Watchet Memorial Garden' (the garden) where a memorial or plaque can be placed in memory of a 'Watchet' person whose remains are elsewhere. A 'Watchet' person is one who has strong links with the community. Each application will be viewed on its own merit by the Finance & General Purposes Committee. Memorials to animals, pets etc will not be permitted.

### MEMORIAL STONE WEDGE

- Only the recommended memorial company to be used
- An application form can be requested from the Council Office or through contact with the approved Memorial Company.
- The memorial stone will be placed in the area between the four benches in a position chosen by the Finance & General Purposes Committee. Requests for a particular position will be addressed sympathetically; however the decision of the committee will be final
- The stone should be no greater than 30cm (12") x 30cm (12") (cut into a wedge shape) in granite.
- There is a choice of colour of the stone to be decided by the relative following discussion with the memorial mason
- The lettering can be cut into the stone face and in-filled with colour of the families' choice in agreement with the memorial company
- The memorial stone will be set on chipping within the area allocated by the cemetery administrator
- A memorial number must be indicated on the stone
- A one-off fee payable to the Watchet Town Council will be charged which will include all maintenance in the future

**The above matters are to be agreed with the Cemetery Administrator who may consult the Chairman of the Finance & General Purposes Committee. The Committee reserve the right to make any final determination.**

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- No cremated remains will be permitted to be interred in this area
- No floral tributes (fresh or artificial) will be permitted
- No adornment of any sort will be permitted in the area
- No planting is permitted in the area

### SITING OF MEMORIAL STONE

### COMMEMORATIVE BENCHES

The Council will place four sturdy benches around the footpath area for the use of visitors to the area. Space will be available on the benches to have a small memorial plaque affixed.

### MEMORIAL PLAQUES

- Memorial plaques are to be made of a non-corrosive material ie stainless steel, or casted bronze. (Brass plaques will not be permitted due to the proximity and effect of the sea atmosphere on the metal.)
- The plaques dimension will be no greater than 80mm (3.5") long x 42mm (2") high
- The Council reserves the right to approve the design and composition, positioning and fixing on the bench and the right (in future) of removal if it is deemed to be a danger to the public.

NO DOGS (except guide dogs, dogs for the disabled or canine partners for independence) are permitted in the cemetery

The Council reserves the right to amend any of the foregoing regulations and to deal with any circumstances or contingency not provided for in the regulations as necessary.

All correspondence and queries must be referred to:

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