# Thurrock Council

## Application for grant of exclusive right of burial

### Applicant details

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| Full name |  |
| Permanent address, including postcode |  |
| Phone number |  |
| Email address |  |

### Cemetery and grave type – please select only one

Rules and regulations for cemeteries on the following page explain the different grave types.

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| Cemetery | | Lawn | Traditional | Muslim |
| **Chadwell St Mary Cemetery**, Brentwood Road, Chadwell St Mary, RM16 4JH | |  |  | not available |
| **Corringham Cemetery**, Fobbing Road, Corringham, SS17 9BJ | | not available |  | not available |
| **Stanford-le-Hope Cemetery**, Wharf Road, Stanford-le-Hope, SS17 0BA | |  | not available | not available |
| **West Thurrock Cemetery**, Sandy Lane, West Thurrock, RM20 4BH | |  | not available |  |
| Other burial ground – please state below: | |  |  |  |
| Section no. |  | Grave no. |  | |

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| Signed |  | Dated |  |

This application form should be completed and returned to:  
**Cemeteries Office, Oliver Close Depot, Oliver Close, West Thurrock, RM20 3ED**

### How we will use your information

We will use your information to provide the service requested. We may share your personal data between our services and with partner organisations, such as government bodies and the police. We will do so when it is of benefit to you, or required by law, or to prevent or detect fraud. To find out more, go to [thurrock.gov.uk/privacy](https://www.thurrock.gov.uk/privacy). Get free internet access at libraries and community hubs.

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| For office use only | | | |
| Fees received |  | Receipt number |  |
| Date |  | ERB |  |

## Rules and regulations for cemeteries

You can request full rules and regulations for cemeteries, along with details of graves available, by emailing [burialcrermations.admin@thurrock.gov.uk](mailto:burialcrermations.admin@thurrock.gov.uk)

### Exclusive right of burial

The exclusive right of burial is granted for a period of **50 years**.

### Memorials and other items

A memorial is a marker erected over a grave. It is commonly called a headstone or gravestone.

A memorial can be purchased from a funeral director or memorial mason, but cannot be erected without permission from the Registrar of Cemeteries at Thurrock Council. Only one memorial will be allowed on any one grave space.

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| Lawn graves | A headstone memorial placed at the head of the grave, with a small space known as a personalisation area of 30cm (12 inches) directly in front. The remaining space will be turfed, maintained by the council and open to the movement of people and equipment. Kerb sets, fencing or any other kind of surrounding are not permitted and will be removed. |
| Traditional graves with full kerb | The memorial must be contained within the grave space. The whole of the grave space can be planted out. |
| Muslim graves | Graves will be mounded with a simple plaque. |

Any reasonable memorial is permitted providing it does not constitute a nuisance or danger to any Cemetery visitor or worker and does not exceed the height or width of headstone.

Items not permitted under any circumstances include:

* fences or edging stone surrounds
* grave or decorative chippings
* planting of any kind, apart from flower containers within the personalisation area
* glass, porcelain, brittle plastics, fragile items
* toys, ornaments, balloons, noisy items

### Our responsibility

We are responsible for keeping our cemeteries free of obvious dangers and hazards, such as:

* sharp objects, glass items or pottery items that may break
* items that have been placed in paths and reduce the width of the path
* items that could cause someone to trip over

Such items will be removed with or without prior notification and will be available for collection from the office for a period of 1 month. We may also remove items that may cause a disturbance – such as wind chimes – or offence to visitors attending the cemetery. Please help us keep cemeteries attractive and peaceful places to visit.

We do not accept responsibility for any damage or loss – however caused – of memorials or ornaments left at cemeteries.