

Morden Parish Council

Application for Permission to Introduce a Memorial and/or an Inscription into the Council Burial Ground.
(to be completed in duplicate)

Name & Address of Applicant

Name & Address of Monumental Mason

Name of Deceased Plot Number

Type of Memorial Measurements

Material to be used Surface finish

Description of any Carving or Decoration

Wording of any description

Type of lettering Size of lettering

Particulars of any vase incorporated in the memorial

1. A full sketch of the memorial is attached or reproduced overleaf.
2. I apply to the Morden Parish Council for permission to introduce the memorial herein described, and I undertake that if permission is granted, the monument will be erected in exact conformity with the description.
3. I have read the Table of Cemetery fees, dated March 2024 and **the regulations overleaf** and will abide by them.
4. I enclose the required fee of £.....
5. I further undertake to indemnify Morden Parish Council against all costs and expenses to which they may be put in respect of any deviation from the undertaking in #2 above.

Signed Date

(The personal signature of the Applicant)

We undertake to abide by the above and that the memorial will be fitted to **current** NAMM regulations.

Signed Date

(Monumental Mason and Company Name)

This form, when completed, and accompanied by the design and cheque, to Morden Parish Council to be forwarded to

Parish Clerk Lindsay Hole woodlands20@hotmail.com
Parish Chair Alex Brenton c/o Cox Cottage East Morden Wareham BH20 7DL. 01929459496
(alexandrob.ab@gmail.com) or CllrAlex.brenton@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk
Once processed, a copy will be returned to the Applicant

Application approved/rejected: Reason for rejection (if applicable):
Receipt No.: Parish Clerk: Date:

Morden Parish Council

Burial ground off High street Morden adjoining Church yard.``

REGULATIONS FOR MONUMENTS, GRAVESTONES, TABLETS AND MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS.

The Council Burial Ground is a country lawn cemetery and therefore **no railings or kerbstones** will be permitted. Graves will be made level with the surrounding ground level and no raised graves will be allowed. There should be **no kerbstones** in order to allow mechanical grass cutting to take place. No attempt should be made, either during erection or subsequently, to enlarge the ground area of the memorial.

Any planting on the grave will be cut by mechanical mowers at regular intervals, so only spring bulbs are likely to survive. Any planting or removable planters should be within 60cms of the headstone. Any flowers, plants or planters which are not maintained in good condition may be removed by the Parish Council or agents working for them.

Each grave may be marked by a headstone/monument, subject to the following limitations:

- a. Construction – the monument shall be of durable natural stone in keeping with that already used in the Burial Ground and no other materials used other than those necessary for inscriptions shall be incorporated. The preferred colours are black or grey but the stonework should not be polished except where carved/inscribed. If the stone does not have a base then at least 30% of the height should be below ground in order to provide stability.
- b. Headstone for full plot:
Maximum Dimensions Height: 900 mm. Width: 750 mm. Thickness: 100 mm.
Headstone for Casket remains:
Maximum Dimensions Height: 600 mm. Width: 500 mm. Thickness: 100 mm
Base : Width: 750mm Depth: 300mm
- c. Manufacturer – The name of the maker may be incised on the back of the monument provided the lettering does not exceed 2 cm. in height and no logo or other commercial information is included. The plot number can be incised on the back of the memorial at ground level.
- d. **Authorisation – All designs for monuments and for alterations and/or additions thereto, shall be submitted to the Clerk/manager of the Burial Authority with this application and no work shall take place until consent in writing has been obtained.**
- e. **The detail to be included with the application shall include all of the following:**
 - **Dimensions of memorial (see b. above) and overall design. A drawing is to be included with dimensions marked on it.**
 - **Materials to be used – including colour and finish. A sample or viewing may be requested.**
 - **Inscription wording and any designs to be engraved.**
- f. **Inappropriate monuments – type & colour of stone and design of memorial shall be in keeping with those already used in the cemetery, and in accordance with the criteria listed above. The Burial Authority shall retain the absolute right to refuse agreement to designs, depictions and/or texts which are deemed by the Authority to be inappropriate. No photographs are allowed.**
- f. Repairs – All memorials shall be kept in good repair.
- g. Vase – a Vase may be incorporated in the headstone space or on the base..