

Cemeteries Information Sheet





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Purpose

The Cemetery Procedures outline the terms of management for all Wingecarribee Shire Council public cemeteries. This information is provided for people who intend to or have purchased an interment right or interment of ashes and for Funeral Directors and other professional people who may be involved with the use of the cemetery. The procedure will also ensure the conduct of those entering the cemeteries is in accordance with reasonable and practical standards.

Public Cemeteries

CEMETERY	LOCATION
Berrima General Cemetery	Berrima Road, Berrima
Bowral General Cemetery	Kangaloon Road, Bowral
Bundanoon General Cemetery	Ferndale Road, Bundanoon
Burradoo Wesleyan/Methodist (Closed, ash placements only)	Burradoo Road, Burradoo
Burrawang Cemetery	Church Street, Burrawang
East Kangaloon Cemetery (Closed, ash placements only)	Kangaloon Road, East Kangaloon
Glenquarry Cemetery (Closed, ash placements only)	Tourist Road, Glenquarry
Moss Vale General Cemetery	Berrima Road, Moss Vale
Myra Vale Cemetery (Existing rights only/ash placements)	Myra Vale Road, Myra Vale
Penrose General Cemetery	Victoria Street, Penrose
Robertson General Cemetery	Missingham Parade, Robertson
Rowe's Hill Anglican Cemetery (Existing rights only/ash placements)	Old South Road, Mittagong
Welby General Cemetery	Currockbilly/Meranie Streets, Welby
Balmoral (historic cemetery)	Bolans Rd, Balmoral



Burial Allotments

- 1. The selection of allotments at Council's cemeteries for immediate use should be addressed through a registered Funeral Director. Purchasing of Interment rights for pre-need reservations of allotments should be discussed with Council directly.
- 2. Council cemeteries allow for interments into allotments in two types of areas. These are:
 - a. Monumental Areas: allows for the erection of a full monument over the entire allotment by a monumental mason or suitably qualified person upon written application to Council.
 - b. Lawn Beam Areas: allows for the erection of a headstone or pedestal and plaque only by a monumental mason upon written application to Council. All monument work must be fully contained on the concrete beam and within the width of the allotment. It is prohibited to plant any tree, shrub, plant or leave glass, wire or like items including solar lights on the grass burial area of a grave in a lawn section of a cemetery.
- 3. All interment and reservation fees are reviewed and set by Council annually.
- 4. For burial allotments, an additional fee is payable for non-residents of Wingecarribee Shire. 50% of the applicable fee for an Interment Right will be added to any fees for interment of a deceased person who was not a resident of the Wingecarribee Shire at the time of his/her death.
- 5. The Interment Right allows for an interment in a specific grave or burial site and does not transfer any equity or ownership of cemetery land to the holder of an Interment licence.
- 6. Interment Rights may be transferred to another person upon completion of the appropriate application. Please contact Council directly.
- 7. All first interments will be to a maximum depth and facilitate a second interment (with appropriate application and payment of fees) unless ground conditions are prohibitive.

Placement of Ashes

- 1. An Interment Right for placement is required and can be arranged with Council. The following options are available for the interment of ashes in Council cemeteries:
 - a. Placement under a memorial tree: Bowral, Bundanoon, Burrawang, Moss Vale, Welby and Penrose Cemetery.
 - b. Placement in a Memorial Wall: Bowral or Welby Cemetery.
 - c. Placement in the Memorial Rose Garden: Bowral Cemetery.
 - d. Placement in a Burial Allotment: available in all Council Cemeteries.
 - e. Placement on an Ash Beam: Moss Vale, Bundanoon, Burradoo, Robertson, Burrawang, Berrima and Welby.



- All interments of ashes and erection of plaques will be carried out by a Council contractor.
 Family members may be present with the exception of placement of ashes in the older memorial walls.
- 3. For scattering of ashes with a memorial plaque please contact Council.

Memorials

- 1. No unauthorised work is to be carried out at any of Wingecarribee Shire Council's public cemeteries.
- 2. All memorial work must be carried out by a Monumental Mason or suitably qualified person registered with Council to operate at the public cemeteries. Minor maintenance work on the memorial or headstone that does not involve structural work i.e. cleaning, painting etc may be carried out conditional on the approval of the grantee.
- 3. No structures or other articles are to be placed or erected over graves on lawn beam sections. Memorials on lawn beam sections are limited to Council approved headstones erected on the concrete beam by a Monumental Mason or suitably qualified person registered with Council. Construction work must not damage or encroach upon adjacent graves. It is prohibited to plant any tree, shrub or other plant on any grave in a lawn section of a cemetery.
- 4. Council is not responsible for any ongoing maintenance or repair of memorial work but reserves the right to remove any dilapidated monuments to ensure public and employee safety.
- 5. Council reserves the right to remove and dispose of any *unauthorised* memorial without reference to any person. This includes any tree, shrubs or other vegetation.

Pre-need Reservations

- All Interment Rights are issued as perpetual rights however if a pre-need interment right is not utilised within 50 years Council may commence procedures to revoke the interment rights. Procedures will be followed to contact the original holder regarding the Interment Right.
 - A separate application is required for each person requesting an interment right for a new allotment.
- 2. Interment rights can be bequeathed or transferred, to another person or back to council.

 Transfers will not be recognised without written notification to council from original grantee.
- 3. Grave subsidence is a normal occurrence on new graves and Council undertakes regular maintenance to address the issue. For any maintenance issues please contact Council.

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Bowral Cemetery



Monumental Area



Granite Memorial Wall



Welby Cemetery



Ash Beams, Bundanoon

