



BLANDFORD FORUM TOWN COUNCIL

APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF EXCLUSIVE RIGHT OF BURIAL

Blandford Forum Town Council would like to offer the family (i.e. immediate relatives such as son/daughter or if no children, then brother/sister) an opportunity to transfer the Exclusive Right of Burial of the grave space from the original purchaser who has now died. At present, no-one can make any decisions on the plot and at the end of the term of title, the Council has the right to remove the memorial and re-use the space if necessary.

The advantages to the family are that they continue to have an interest in the plot, they have the right to have their ashes interred and their names added to the memorial (up to a maximum of four caskets) and the family will be consulted on any issues concerning that particular grave space/plot.

The Council has the benefit of a living contact and the knowledge that the family will look after the grave space/plot.

A new Certificate will be issued to the new holder advising of the remaining period of title. Please note this is a legal asset, which can be inherited through the Will of the holder.

The Exclusive Right of Burial can be transferred to another person by the present holder and the correct forms can be obtained from the Town Clerk's Office. All holders must be party to the forms.

- Transfer or a change by a living holder can be done through a Form of Assignment, which requires witnessing.
- If the holder dies then the Exclusive Right of Burial becomes part of the estate and the executors or administrators will need to complete an Assent, which transfers the Right to another person.
- If the holder dies intestate or the Will does not go to Probate, a Statutory Declaration must be sworn by the next of kin before a Magistrate or Commissioner for Oaths in order to exercise the Exclusive Right of Burial.
- If the family wishes to have the Right transferred to one or more members at a later date, a Statutory Declaration must be sworn. An indemnity form is not sufficient for legal purposes.

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