

Proposal for the mapping of all remaining areas of the Compton Cemetery

This document presents an estimate of time and cost to survey the currently unoccupied parts of the cemetery and establish all remaining grave and ashes interment opportunities and diagram them onto the new 2025 Map,

For the purposes of the estimate, it has been presumed that:

- Sections P and M will extend southwards, composed of full graves.
- Section R is Ashes-only, stretching along the entire southern boundary.
- Section Q is a mixed grave and ashes area; its extension southward to Section R will be completed as such, using a ratio agreed with the Clerk.
- Existing trees, planting, paths and other hard landscaping will remain.
- Root systems of larger trees will be avoided.
- Changes in elevation (slopes) will be avoided, as in other areas.
- The current 'compost' area in the south west corner will remain. Although, the Council may wish to give some consideration to a means of separating, or disguising it from the interment areas (a hedge perhaps).
- Plot sizing and layout as per that already established across the estate.

It is expected that at least 3 visits to site will be necessary to survey, measure and document the available spaces. The current diagram, while dimensionally accurate, does not include the obstructions and complications (indicated above) in these unoccupied areas. 2 hours per visit has been an average surveying time to date.

Work at the desk, introducing the obstructions and then laying out, diagramming and numbering the possible plots across the remains of Sections M, P and Q and all of R and updating the spreadsheet, is estimated between 24-28 hours.

Consequently, at £30 per hour, a project cost of between £900-£1000 seems likely. Unforeseen complications will be advised to the Churchwarden before this estimate is exceeded.

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