



Sutton Courtenay Parish Council

Old Wallingford Way Cemetery Policy for buying back Exclusive Rights of Burials (ERoBs)

Sutton Courtenay Parish Council allows the purchase of ERoBs at any time in either the burial or cremated remains sections. As a burial plot can hold one coffin and three sets of cremated remains, (cremated remains plots can hold two sets of ashes) relatives often purchase the rights to the adjacent plot at the same time as interring their relative. The rights to a plot are purchased for 40 years at which point the rights revert to the Parish Council.

The ERoB holder has the right to decide whose remains are interred in the plot and to decide on the design of any memorial erected on the plot, subject to the cemetery regulations. On their death they have the right to be interred in the plot and then if they are the sole ERoB holder the rights must be transferred before a memorial is erected. (There can be more than one ERoB holder.)

If for any reason the ERoB is no longer required and the plot has been unused then the Parish Council will buy back the plot for the amount originally paid minus the current fee for transferring the ERoB. For example, if £150 was paid for the ERoB and the current fee is £70 then a refund would be made of £80.

Refunds will only be paid by bank transfer into an account in the name of the ERoB holder. The original ERoB deed should be returned to the Parish Council but the refund can be issued without presenting the deed.