

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How many coffins can go into a grave?

Unfortunately we cannot guarantee the amount of coffin burials in a grave. It depends on the type of ground and other factors such as size of coffins etc.

How many cremated remains can go into a grave?

Several small urns/caskets can go into a grave as they are far smaller than a coffin.

What is the procedure for erecting a new headstone?

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What is the procedure for replacing a headstone?

See [Erecting Headstones](#) Page

Do the council have to construct the foundations for headstones/kerbs?

Yes the council are solely responsible for the construction of the foundations.

Is there a possibility of a bench in Shanganagh Cemetery?

No unfortunately the list for benches in Shanganagh cemetery is exhausted.

How do you go about getting new chippings on a grave?

Send into the office in person or by post:

1. The grave number, or if this is not possible a date of death or burial of someone in the grave.
2. Cash or Cheque/Postal Order (payable to Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown Co. Co.) for **€240**.
3. Whether you would like grey granite or white marble chippings.
4. Your name, address and phone number so we can contact you when the work has been completed.

How do you go about getting a grave topped with soil and tidied?

Send into the office in person or by post:

1. The grave number, or if this is not possible a death of death or burial of someone in the grave.
2. Cash or Cheque/Postal Order (payable to Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown Co. Co.) for **€85**.
3. Your name, address and phone number so we can contact you when the work has been completed.

Are the Council responsible for laying grass in Shanganagh?

Yes the council are responsible for the laying and cutting of grass in Shanganagh. Please contact the office at Dean's Grange should you have any queries. Please note that it is cemetery policy not to lay grass until 1 year after an interment has taken place to allow for subsidence.

How do you go about transferring a grave?

If you want to transfer the ownership of a grave permission must be given from the owner of the grave. They must write and sign a letter stating:

1. The grave number.
2. The name and address of whom the grave is to be transferred.
3. State that they are aware that they are relinquishing all burial rights to the said grave.
4. There is a fee of €80 for this transfer.

If the owner of the grave is deceased a Derivative Assignment Declaration form must be signed and witnessed before a peace commissioner by the person who wishes to take over the grave. This form is available at the office in Dean's Grange. Letters from the respective next of kin of the owner may also be required in this case stating that they have no objection to the transfer, unless there is a will stating otherwise in which case the grave usually comes under the residue of the estate unless specifically mentioned.

How do you locate a grave?

Please note that neither Dean's Grange nor Shanganagh cemeteries records are computerised and therefore in order to locate a grave what you need is:

1. Date/year of death or burial.
2. Full name and last address of the deceased.

The Council only holds records for Dean's Grange, Shanganagh and Kilgobbin cemeteries.

How do you get there by public transport?

Dublin bus number **45** stops right outside Dean's Grange and Shanganagh cemeteries. For more information see www.dublinbus.ie

Is it possible to get details of all the deceased buried in a grave?

Yes this is possible provided that you have dates of death or burial of at least one person in the grave. There is a research fee of €50 per grave for a full research of any grave

Is there a grave research fee?

Not unless there is numerous graves to be researched.

How much is a new grave?

New graves in Shanganagh are: €2,700 + interment fee
New graves in Dean's Grange are: €16,000 + interment fee
Not for sale in advance of a death.

What is the cost for interring cremated remains?

€385 and can be done privately and not through a Funeral Director.

Why is there an extra charge on a Saturday?

The staff are paid overtime on a Saturday and therefore there is an extra charge.

What is the opening fee?

€765

Is the Council responsible for tidying the grave after a burial?

Yes the council tidies the grave after a burial has taken place. Should you have any concerns please contact the office at Dean's Grange.

Can I pay a fee for annual maintenance on my or my family's grave?

Unfortunately we no longer provide this service.

Can I pay a fee for perpetual maintenance on my or my family's grave?

Unfortunately we no longer provide this service.

Is it possible to buy a grave?

Not in advance of a death. We have to keep the graves for the immediate deceased.

Where is the nearest crematorium?

There are 3 crematoriums in Dublin located in Glasnevin, Mount Jerome and Newlands Cross. There is no crematorium in Dean's Grange or Shanganagh.

Are the chapels in Dean's Grange cemetery in use?

No they have been refurbished but are not in use as yet.

Why have so many trees been removed?

The trees that have been removed were interfering with graves, headstones, kerbs and foundations.

Can I drive into the cemetery?

Yes it is possible to drive into and along the main avenue of both cemeteries.

Can I park in the cemetery?

Yes you may park in the cemetery.

Is there a certain amount of time after burial before a new headstone can be erected?

No. Application for a headstone can be submitted at any time.