



## REGULATIONS FOR A GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE

This policy has been written in line with the  
DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER CHURCHYARD REGULATIONS 2016

A Garden of Remembrance is a place of communal remembrance which may be used for the burial of cremated remains.

The cremated remains of the following persons, and no others, may be buried in the Garden of Remembrance namely:

- a) Persons resident in the parish.
- b) Persons whose names are on the church electoral roll of the parish.
- c) Persons dying in the parish.
- d) Any other person to the burial of whose remains the Incumbent consents and, in giving such consent, the Incumbent shall have regard to any general guidance given by the PCC.

Application for the burial of cremated remains must be made to the Incumbent who will decide the place of burial.

The names of those whose cremated remains are buried, together with a record of where they are buried, will be recorded in the Burial Register to be kept in the church safe.

Cremated remains should normally be buried without their container. They are to be poured into the ground, from the container in which they are brought to the burial site, by the minister committing them to the earth and then covered with soil.

At the discretion of the Incumbent such cremated remains may be buried in a casket or urn provided that it is made of biodegradable material.

The place of burial shall not be marked by any memorial or otherwise but the personal representatives of any person whose remains are buried in the Garden of Remembrance may, on payment of a donation of £10, request an appropriate entry to be made in the Book of Remembrance maintained in the church.

No artificial flowers, foliage or anything referred to in paragraph 5.1 of Appendix B of the Churchyard Regulations may be laid anywhere in the Garden of Remembrance.

**5.1.** The Incumbent does not have delegated authority to permit the following:

- a) Kerbs, railings, fencing or chippings.
- b) Memorials in the shape of a vase, heart, book, or statues.
- c) Memorials incorporating photographs, portraits, writing, or etched images.
- d) Mementoes, windmills, toys or little animals.
- e) Anything affixed to or hung upon any monument, including insignia, crosses, images, models, paintings, or photographs.
- f) The use of `pet names`.
- g) Artificial flowers.
- h) Any arms, crests, or badges.
- i) Any kind of lighting.

Flowers may be placed, minus the plastic covering, whether in the church or outside. All such flowers may be removed when they are dead or wilted.

Policy approved by St Elisabeth's PCC on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

Signed;

Chair of the PCC

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