

16.0 Cemeteries

Cemetery fees are charged under the Burial and Cremation Act 1964 and Ashburton District Council Cemeteries Bylaw. Travel is included in burial fees.

*Denotes services only available in the Ashburton Cemetery

** Denotes services only available in the Mt Somers Cemetery

▲ The purchase of a cemetery plot provides the exclusive right of permanent burial in a cemetery owned by Ashburton District Council, and includes the issue of a Certificate of Purchase.

† A 'Resident of Ashburton District' means any person who has resided in the district for a period of 3 months of his or her life, and does not include a person who has been temporarily in the district at the time of death or during illness immediately preceding death.

	1 July 2021 - 30 June 2022	1 July 2022 - 30 June 2023
16.1 Purchase of cemetery plot ▲ (Ashburton, Methven & Rakaia Cemeteries)		
Grave plot with concrete beam	\$1,693.00	\$1,778.00
Grave plot with concrete beam – children's section*	\$891.00	\$936.00
Cremation plot	\$673.00	\$706.00
Natural burial plot (adult)*	\$1,693.00	\$1,778.00
Natural burial plot (child)*	\$423.00	\$444
Muslim burial plot (adult)*	\$1,814.00	\$1,905.00
Muslim burial plot (child)*	\$907.00	\$952.00
16.2 Purchase of cemetery plot ▲ (Rural Cemeteries)		
Grave plot without concrete beam (2.75m by 1.22m)	\$870.00	\$913.00
Cremation plot**	\$673.00	\$706.00
16.3 Interment charges (including private cemeteries)		
Interment of casket at double depth	\$1,446.00	\$1,518.00
Interment of casket at single depth	\$1,302.00	\$1,367.00
Re-opening of double depth plot for interment of second casket	\$1,436.00	\$1,508.00
Interment of casket for a child under 9 years	\$507.00	\$532.00
Interment of casket for stillborn child	\$294.00	\$308.00
Muslim interment for adult, child or stillborn (includes Muslim board)	\$2,025.00	\$2,126.00
Interment of ashes	\$288.00	\$303.00
16.4 Additional interment charges (these may apply depending on the circumstances of the interment and are in addition to any other fees payable)		
Additional fee for less than eight (8) working hours' notice of burial	\$256.00	\$269.00
Additional fee for burial performed up to 1:00pm on a Saturday (including digging and / or burial where the casket is in the ground and ceremony completed)	\$256.00	\$269.00
Additional fee for burial performed past 1:00pm on a Saturday, all day Sunday or on a public holiday	\$768.00	\$806.00
Additional fee for work after 4:30pm (where possible funerals should be finished by 4:00pm to allow the Sexton to close the grave)	\$256.00	\$269.00

	Additional fee for work involved in removing a concrete capped grave for the interment of a casket	\$353.00	\$370.00
	Additional fee for the interment of a non-resident/non-ratepayer †	Additional 30% of plot purchase and interment fee	Additional 30% of plot purchase and interment fee
16.5	Disinterment/Re-interment charges		
	Disinterment	At cost	At cost
	Re-interment	At cost	At cost
16.6	Administration fees		
	Permit to erect memorials	\$64.00	\$68.00
	Installation of plaque on memorial wall	\$63.00	\$66.00
	Cemetery record print out	\$5.00	\$5.00
	Change of plot	\$60.00	\$63.00