

CHIGWELL PARISH COUNCIL
OFFICER REPORT- CEMETERY MATTERS SECTION H

I am pleased to report that Section H of Chigwell Cemetery has now been fully laid out, marked and numbered in preparation for future interments and plot sales.

A detailed review of the section has identified a total of 180 lawn grave plots, which have been allocated plot numbers 1877 to 2056 inclusive. Subject to Full Council approval, these plot numbers will be formally adopted and incorporated into the Council's official Cemetery Plan and records.

Of the 180 plots identified:

- 27 plots have previously been purchased as reserved graves.
- 26 plots have already been utilised for interments at the point of need.
- This leaves a current availability of 127 lawn grave plots within Section H for future allocation.

The formal numbering and mapping of this section represents an important step in the ongoing management of the Cemetery, ensuring that records remain accurate, transparent and easily accessible for administrative, operational and public enquiries. The exercise also provides clarity regarding the Cemetery's remaining burial capacity and assists officers in planning for future provision.

The completion of this work will allow Section H to be fully integrated into the Cemetery's management system and official mapping records, ensuring consistency with existing sections and supporting the efficient administration of burial services.

Recommendation

Members are requested to:

1. Note the completion of the marking out and numbering of Section H at Chigwell Cemetery.
2. Approve the adoption of plot numbers 1877 to 2056 inclusive as the official numbering sequence for Section H.
3. Agree that the Council's official Cemetery Map and records be updated accordingly.
4. Note that, following the identification of reserved and utilised plots, 127 lawn grave plots remain available for future allocation within Section H.

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