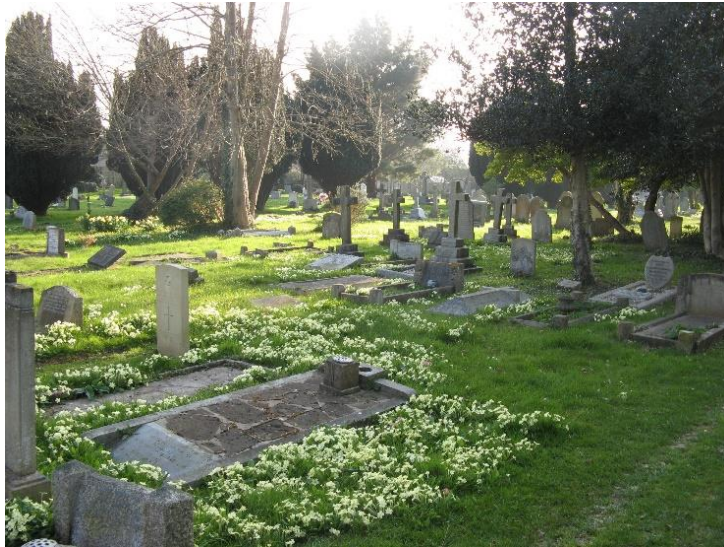


# BOSHAM BURIAL GROUND ASSOCIATION



*Spring Time in the Burial Ground*

*Almighty God, Father of all mercies and giver of all comfort: deal graciously, we pray, with those who mourn, that casting all their cares on you, they may know the consolation of your love:*

*through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

*Alternative Service Book (1980)*

**Land for the Burial Ground** was given to Holy Trinity Church, Bosham after the closure of the churchyard in 1902. Although management of the ground is vested in the Parochial Church Council it may be used by all the residents of the parish and by others elsewhere who have connections to the village, whether they be Christians of other denominations, members of any faith or adherents of none.



**Bosham Burial Ground Association** was registered as a Charity in November 1996. It is an Association of individuals and organisations willing to assist the Parochial Church Council of Holy Trinity Church, Bosham, with the maintenance and upkeep of the Burial Ground.

**Membership** is open to any individuals or corporate groups, whether or not resident in the Parish, who are interested in the upkeep of the Burial Ground and are willing to contribute financially on an annual basis. The minimum annual subscription is £10.

As the Association is a charity, individual members who pay income tax are encouraged to use gift aid for their subscriptions. (*Charity No. 1059254*)

## **Bequests**

Some people may wish to leave something in their wills for the future care of the Burial Ground. Guidance notes on suitable wording for this is available from the Membership Secretary. (*see over*)

**Burial Ground Regulations. Agreed by Faculty granted by the Chancellor of the Diocese - December 2<sup>nd</sup> 2015**

There are certain Regulations which state what is and what is not allowed in the Burial Ground. These have been laid down to ensure some conformity amongst graves and also to assist in the maintenance of the area as a whole.

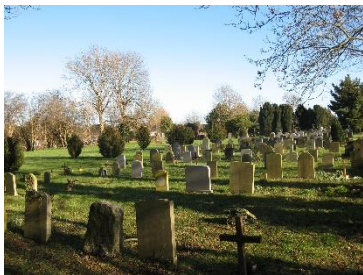


Spring bulbs and small annuals may be placed in the soil of the grave. Trees and shrubs are not permitted.

Wreaths and cut flowers placed on graves and plants and flowers in containers will be removed, when withered, by those authorized to do so.

No artificial flowers or foliage may be placed on or about graves and, if so placed, will be removed together with any containers. Exceptions are made, however, for Remembrance Day poppies and Christmas wreaths which will only be removed after a suitable lapse of time.

Kerbs, railings, fencing or chippings are no longer permitted as these create difficulty or danger when mowing. Existing examples of such graves must be adequately maintained.



For the avoidance of doubt and disappointment we regret that the following items are also not permitted: mementoes, photographs, portraits, windmills, animals or toys and, if so placed, will be removed.

Integral sockets in the base of a headstone for flower vases are permitted. Freestanding stone vases may be permitted

as long as the stone is the same as the rest of the memorial (it matches that of the headstone or the horizontal ledger) and permission has been given. Any other containers, preferably aluminium should be sunken. Glass containers of any sort are not permitted.

Applications for Memorials and freestanding stone vases must be made to and approved by the Vicar or Consistory Court. For further information please see Bosham Church web site: [boshamchurch.org.uk](http://boshamchurch.org.uk)

**DOGS ON A LEAD ARE WELCOME - CLEAN UP AFTER THEM IF NECESSARY**

**The Bosham Burial Ground Association** is managed by a

committee consisting of the Vicar, a representative of the Vicar and Churchwardens of Holy Trinity Church, a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer and three individual members, all elected at the Annual General Meeting. A nominated representative from the Roman Catholic Church in Bosham: Our Lady of the Assumption, Bosham Parish Council and Bosham Association, also serve on the committee.



*Lord support us all the day long of this troublous life, until the shades lengthen, and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over and our work is done  
Then Lord in your mercy grant us safe lodging, a holy rest, and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Alternative Service Book (1980)



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