

Current Coronavirus Cemetery Guidelines.- 25th March 2020

- Graves should be dug and prepared ready for the funeral the day before the burial where possible and should be suitably locked with a grave cover until the time of burial.
- Ministers/Celebrants should be made aware that only the committal should take place at graveside and not a full service to prevent large crowds of people being together for long periods of time.
- Family will not be permitted to back fill the grave. Once the coffin is lowered and the mourners and funeral directors have moved away from graveside our contractors will back fill the grave.
- . Limiting the number of mourners where possible to closest relatives as defined by the ICCM Spouse/partner, parents/carers, brothers/sisters, children (and their partners) only.
- No mourners should attend if they think they may have any coronavirus symptoms
- Attendees are not to approach our grounds staff at the cemetery and maintain their distance and remain in their cars until the funeral is due to take place
- No soil box will be used as we want to discourage the chance of cross-contamination and enforce social-distancing.
- Limited time should be spent graveside potentially no longer than 30 minutes and all attendees need to enforce distancing of 2 metres between themselves
- All ashes interments have now been cancelled for the foreseeable future to limit exposure