

**FOI 93/2018**

**REQUEST**

Please respond to the following, under FOI regulations:

- 1) How many cemeteries are operated by your council? How many burial plots does this total?

4 Cemeteries, approximately 22900 full graves and 3970 cremated remains graves

Clacton Cemetery

A total of approximately 14800 full graves and 2230 cremated remains graves

Kirby Cross Cemetery

A total of approximately 2585 full graves and 769 cremated remains graves

Walton Cemetery

A total of approximately 1249 full graves and 70 cremated remains graves

Dovercourt Cemetery

A total of approximately 4312 full graves and 895 cremated remains graves.

There have been more burials in the original cemetery but there is no section map therefore the number of graves has never been determined.

- 2) How many cemeteries still have spaces and how many burial plots are remaining? (Please provide the names of each cemetery and how many spaces it has in total and the number remaining)

Clacton Cemetery has approximately 300 plots remaining in its current section, an area of land adjacent to the cemetery has been set aside for cemetery use, the exact number of graves has not been determined.

Kirby Cross Cemetery has an unknown number of plots remaining in its current section, an area of land adjacent to the cemetery has been set aside for cemetery use, the exact number of graves has not been determined.

Walton Cemetery has no graves remaining

Dovercourt Cemetery has an unknown number of plots remaining in its current section, an area of land adjacent to the cemetery has been set aside for cemetery use, the exact number of graves has not been determined.

3) What proportion of this is through existing burials and advance plot purchases?

This will take an enormous amount of time to determine and may become chargeable.

4) How many are full/ at capacity?

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5) How many burials were undertaken in the following years: 2017, 2016, 2007, 2006, 1997, 1996, 1987, 1986, 1977, 1976.

This total includes both full and cremated remains burials.

2017	328
2016	343
2007	411
2006	448
1997	511
1987	499
1986	468
1977	402
1976	420

6) What was the charge/cost to people for burials in each of these years?

Crem/rem refers to cremated remains

These fees refer to adult burial

Burial rights	Single grave	Double grave	Triple Grave	Crem/rem	Chapel
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Full crem/rem

2017	£785	£775	£600	£680	N/A	£220	£150
2016	£785	£775	£600	£680	N/A	£220	£150
2007	£541	£353	£411	£411	N/A	£124.50	£111
2006	£528	£344	£401	£401	N/A	£121.50	£108
1997	No record of fees						
1987	£63.50	£35	£36.50	£51.50	£66.50	£10	£7.50
1986	£57	£31	£32.25	£46	£59.75	£8	£5.50
1977	No record of fees						
1976	No record of fees						

7) How many cremations for the same years as above?

2017	1663
2016	1703
2007	1581
2006	1598
1997	1546
1987	1306
1986	1163
1977	Not operating during this period
1976	Not operating during this period

8) What was the charge/cost to people for cremations in each of these years?

These fees refer to adult cremation

2017 £760

2016 £760

2007 £444

2006 £434

1997 No record of fees

1987 No record of fees

1986 No record of fees

1977 Not operating during this period

1976 Not operating during this period

9) How many years of capacity for burial do you anticipate you have remaining?

This has not been estimated/calculated.

9) How many people did not get their first choice of cemetery for burial?

All

10) Did the council have to refuse requests for burials? If so, how many?

No

11) What is the furthest distance of burial plots from any of the parish church?

Unknown

12) Are you actively looking to source new burial plots? If so, what measures have been taken, at what cost and what have been the results?

No we have land set aside for future use.

13) Have you opened any new cemeteries in the last 30 years? Please provide details of names and number of plots.

No

14) What alternatives, if any, do you offer for the disposal of human remains? For example, woodland burials, alkaline hydrolysis (dissolving) etc

None