

Ecclesiastical Judges' Association

**Appendix A to the
Report of the Working Party into**

CHURCHYARD MEMORIAL REGULATIONS

October 2024

Appendix A

Churchyard memorials: comparative table

Note that there are at present no churchyard regulations in the Dioceses of London and Gibraltar in Europe.

Table A1. Basic information

Diocese	Date	Name	Explicit delegation mechanism
Newsom, App III, Sch. A	1988	Conditions on delegated authority	Yes
Bath & Wells	2020	Rules, set out in "Notice Relating to Churchyards"	Yes, to give permission for up to 100 years
Birmingham	2006	Regulations and Further Guidelines	Yes, "by custom"
Blackburn	2014	Regulations	Yes
Bristol	2021	Regulations	Yes
Canterbury	2015	Regulations	No
Carlisle	2010 (am 2019)	Regulations	Yes
Chelmsford	2019	"Churchyard Handbook" (a guide to the rules relating to burial, interment of cremated remains, and other matters relating to churchyards)	No
Chester	2007	Regulations	Yes
Chichester	2020	Regulations	Yes
Coventry	2020 (am. 2021)	Regulations	No express delegation; "What is and is not permitted"
Derby	2021	General regulations	Classes which are considered generally acceptable and where decision to permit can be made by the Vicar. "A memorial which is within the terms of these Regulations is likely to be permitted"; wide discretion to "Vicars", and to Archdeacons
Durham	2012	Churchyard Rules	No

Diocese	Date	Name	Explicit delegation mechanism
Ely	2017 (am. 2018)	Regulations. Note also "Guidance to the Churchyard Regulations"	Yes.
Exeter	2013	Regulations	Yes; Archdeacon, (with the consent of the Parish Priest) and with the agreement of the DAC, may permit an individually designed and handcrafted monument which is of artistic merit but which does not conform to these regulations
Gloucester	2020	DAC Churchyard Regulations	No, but there is reference to delegation in the text
Guildford	2005	Regulations	No. Specifically called 'legislation', though text refers casually to delegated authority given to incumbent; but text specifically purports to give discretion to incumbent
Hereford	2008	Regulations	No. Incumbents have authority at their discretion to permit mems that come within the regs; Specific non-faculty, rarely Chancellor, approval outside regs
Leicester	2014	Regulations	No
Leeds	2018	Regulations	Yes
Lichfield	2013	Chancellor's Regs	No. text sets out what incumbent may (and may not) permit
Lincoln	2012	Regulations	Yes
Liverpool	2014	Regulations	Yes
Manchester	2016	Regulations	Yes
Newcastle	2020	Rules	Yes
Norwich	2016	Regulations	Yes
Oxford	2016	Regulations	Yes
Peterborough	2021	Regulations	Yes
Portsmouth	2004	Regulations	No. "incumbents have for many years been authorised..."
Rochester	1981	Regulations	Yes
St Albans	2020	Regulations	Yes
St Eds & Ipswich	2009 (am. 2013)	Rules	Yes
Salisbury	2016	Regulations	Yes
Sheffield	2012	Rules	No
Sodor & Man	2012	Delegated Authority	Yes
Southwark	2003	Guidance; instrument of delegation and Regulations annexed	Yes
Southwell & Nottingham	2019	Regulations	Yes
Truro	2019	Regulations	Yes
Winchester	2019	Regulations	Implied; "decision can be made by vicar"
Worcester	2004	Guidelines	Yes
York	2018	Regulations	Yes

Table A2. Memorials in form of headstone

Dimensions in mm (imperial in brackets). Where two dimensions given for thickness, the second is for slate memorials

“BS” refers to BS 8415; “NAMM CP” to National Association of Memorial Masons Code of Practice.

Diocese	Headstone: maximum dimensions	Headstone: minimum dimensions	Headstone to commemorate child: minimum dimensions	Integral base, max projection beyond headstone	Base, max projection beyond tall (>900mm) headstone	Base with vase	Foundation slab projection	Vertical headstone must be fixed to foundation slab	Upper surface of foundation slab must be flush with surrounding turf
Newsom, App III, Sch A	1200 x 900 x 150	750 x 500 x 75	...	50	100		75 – 125	Yes	Yes
Bath & Wells	1200 x 900 x 180 (4' x 3' x 7")	750 x 500 x 75 (2'6" x 1'8" x 3")		“preferably no plinth”; dimensions include any plinth		Not permitted		Headstone preferably buried without plinth to one third of total length; or fixed below turf to BS 8415	
Birmingham	1250 x 650 x 110 (4'1" x 2'2" x 0'4")	600 x 500 x 80 (2'0" x 1'8" x 0'3")		110 (4")		Front projection max 180 (7")	80 to 150 (0'3" to 0'6")	Yes	Yes
Blackburn	1200 x 900 x 150	600 x 500 x 75/50	Nil	200	Nil	“incorporated in it”	nil	Implicit	Yes
Bristol	Max height: 1200 (4') (headstone); 1350 (4'6") (cross)								Yes
Canterbury	1200 x 900 x 150 (48" x 36" x 6") (headstone); 1500 x 900 x 300	Headstone: 900 x 500 x 75 (36" x 20" x 3")	May be smaller at discretion of minister	Max: 150 x 970 x 300 (6" x 38" x 12")		Max 202mm (8") projection		Anchorage to accord with best practice and	

Diocese	Headstone: maximum dimensions	Headstone: minimum dimensions	Headstone to commemorate child: minimum dimensions	Integral base, max projection beyond headstone	Base, max projection beyond tall (>900mm) headstone	Base with vase	Foundation slab projection	Vertical headstone must be fixed to foundation slab	Upper surface of foundation slab must be flush with surrounding turf
	(60" x 36" x 12") (cross)	Cross: min height 900 Timber cross: min thickness 40 (1½")		Min: 75 x 560 x 180 (3" x 22" x 7")				comply with H&S Regs	
Carlisle	1200 x 900 x 150	750 x 500 x 75	600 x 375 x 50	113	Nil	Max 225 projection in front	75 – 100	Yes	Yes
Chelmsford	1070 x 760 x 102 (3'6" x 2'6" x 4"); monolith stone max height 1220mm (4')			910 (3') wide; projection between 76 – 127 (3"- 5")				Fixed according to NAMM CP and BS 8415	
Chester	1200 x 900 x 150		Nil	Max depth front to back 300, and max projection 50 at rear, 75 at sides		Approved but no other details		Provision for vertical memorial into ground – if NAMM and BS compliant	Yes
Chichester	1200 x 900 x 150 (4' x 3' x 6")	750 x 500 x 75/50 (2'6" x 1'8" x 3"/2")	600 x 375 x 50 (2' x 1'3 x 2')	50	-	Up to 2 integral sockets	Base: 3" x 2" x 10" (min) 6" x 3" x 12" (max)	Implicit	Yes
Coventry	1220 x 915 x 150 (4' x 3' x 6')	762 x 510 x 76/40 (2'6 x 1'8 x 3"/1½")	610 x 380 x 51 (2' x 1'3 x 2")	101 (4")	-	'One vase hole'	101 (4") in each direction 180 (7") if vase hole	No 'stand on'; safety standards mentioned elsewhere	No

Diocese	Headstone: maximum dimensions	Headstone: minimum dimensions	Headstone to commemorate child: minimum dimensions	Integral base, max projection beyond headstone	Base, max projection beyond tall (>900mm) headstone	Base with vase	Foundation slab projection	Vertical headstone must be fixed to foundation slab	Upper surface of foundation slab must be flush with surrounding turf
Derby	1200 x 900 x 150 (48" x 36" x 15")	750 x 500 x 75/25 (30" x 20" x 3"/1")	600 x 375 x 50/38 (24" x 15 x 2)	100 (4")	-	Receptacle for flowers. Max Height: 200 (8")	-	Implicit	-
Durham	1200 x 900 x 150	750 x 500 x 75/38	Nil	100		Max 200 projection in front	n/a	Not said	Not said
Ely	1220 x 914 x 150 (4' x 3' x 6")	500 x 380 x 76/38 (1'8 x 1'3 x 3"/1½")	-	-	100 or 205 (4" or 8")	Provision for up to 2 vases	"not visible"	Yes	Yes
Exeter	1228 x 915 x 150/38 (4' x 3' x 6")	No minima	Max: 825 x 375 (33" x 15") Min: 475 x 300 (19" x 12")	200 (8")	-	-	-	-	-
Gloucester	120 x 900 x 150 (4' x 3' x 6")	None	No	9" in front, 3" behind		No provision	No distinction from integral	-	
Guildford	1200 x 900 x 150 (4' x 3' x 6")	'the incumbent may specify'	"usually smaller'	100 (4")		Up to 200 (8") in front	75 (3") to 150 (6") all round	Yes	Yes
Hereford	1200 x 900 x 150 (4' x 3' x 6")	50 (2") (slate)	No ref	Max 900 (3") wide, 225 (1'3") high; max projection 100 (4")		No more than 900 x375 total, no projection more than 100 at side, 175 at front, 100 at back	'So constructed and placed as to ensure safety and stability.'	'So constructed and placed as to ensure safety and stability.'	So far as ground levels reasonably permit
Leicester	1200 x 900 x 150	750 x 500 x 75/40	600 x 375 x 50	Max 900 x 360 x 225 high, not projecting		No more than 100 projection either side;	NAMM CP	NAMM CP	No ref

Diocese	Headstone: maximum dimensions	Headstone: minimum dimensions	Headstone to commemorate child: minimum dimensions	Integral base, max projection beyond headstone	Base, max projection beyond tall (>900mm) headstone	Base with vase	Foundation slab projection	Vertical headstone must be fixed to foundation slab	Upper surface of foundation slab must be flush with surrounding turf
				more than 100 either side		375 front to back			
Leeds	4' x 3' x 6"	2'3" x 1'8" x 3" /1.5"	Nil						Yes
Lichfield ('substantially in accordance with the following requirements')	1220 x 915 x 152 (4' x 3' x 6")	762 x 510 x 76/40 (2'6" x 1'8" x 3"/1 ½")	610 x 380 x 51 (2' x 1'3" x 2")	101 (4")		180 (7") in front, 101 (4") behind	Between 152 and 76 all round	BS 8415	Yes
Lincoln	1200 x 900 x 150 4' x 3' x 6"	750 x 500 x 74/38 (2'6" x 1'8" x 3"/1½")	Smaller as authorised by the Chancellor	100 (4")	-	200 (8") at front	-	BS 8415	yes
Liverpool	1200 x 900 x 150	No minima		Max depth front to back 300; max projection, 50 at rear and 75 at sides		Permitted if sunk into forward projection		Provision for vertical memorial into ground – if compliant with NAMM CP and BS 8415	Must be set below ground level
Manchester	1200 x 900 x 150	600 x 500 x 75/50	600 x 375 x 50	100	Nil	Max 150 projection in front	75 – 100	Yes	Yes
Newcastle	1200 x 900 x 150	750 x 500 x 75/38	Nil	102		Max 200 projection in front		Implicit	Yes
Norwich	1350 x 900 x 150 (4'6" x 3' x 6")	750 x 375 x 75/50 (2'6" x 1'3" x 3"/2")	450 x 300 x 75 (1'6" x 1' x 3")	100 (4")		200 (8")	-	Yes	Just below turf

Diocese	Headstone: maximum dimensions	Headstone: minimum dimensions	Headstone to commemorate child: minimum dimensions	Integral base, max projection beyond headstone	Base, max projection beyond tall (>900mm) headstone	Base with vase	Foundation slab projection	Vertical headstone must be fixed to foundation slab	Upper surface of foundation slab must be flush with surrounding turf
Oxford	1220 x 915 x 155 (48" x 36" x 6")	Max thickness – 75/40 (3"/1½")	Nil	50 (2") at the back and 205 (8") at the front	Nil	Max 2 vases	Not visible	Yes – or incumbent satisfied that depth ensures stability	Below
Peterborough	1200 x 900 x 150 (4' x 3' x 6")	750 x 500 x 75/38 (2'6" x 1'8" x 3"/1½")	-	102 (4")	-	200 (8") in front	-	No	Below ground level
Portsmouth	1200 x 900 x 150 (4' x 3' x 6")	750 x 500 x 75/38 (2'6" x 1'8" x 3"/1½")	600 x 375 x 50 (2' x 1'3" x 2")	100 (4")	-	100 (4")	-	No	-
Rochester	1200 x 900 x 150 (4' x 3' x 6")	750 x 500 x 75 (2'6" x 1'8" x 3")	-	50 (2")	-	200 (8") in front	75-125 (3"-5")	Yes	Flush with or below turf
St Albans	1200 x 900 x 150 (4' x 3' x 6")	600 x 500 x 65/50 (2'x1'8"x2.5"/2")	Archdeacon approval . min 250 x 300 x 50 (10" x 12" x 2")	100 (4")	-	200 (8") in front	-	No	-
St Eds & Ipswich	1200 x 900 x 150	762 x 375 x 75/50	460 x 300 x 75/35	100	...	Max 200 projection	75 - 125	NAMM CP	Just below surface
Salisbury	1500 x 900	750 x 375	450 x 300	100	...	Projection max 150	...	BS 8415	Just below surface
Sheffield	1200 x 900 x 150	750 x 500 x 75 / 40	Nil	102		Max 200 projection in front		Yes	Yes
Sodor & Man	1200 x 900 x 150	750 x 500 x 65 / 50	600 x 375 x 50	113		Max 225 projection in front	100	Yes	Yes
Southwark	1200 x 900 x 150	500 x 500 x 75/40	...	100	...	Max one vase;	...	Adequately secured	Flush or min 300 below surface

Diocese	Headstone: maximum dimensions	Headstone: minimum dimensions	Headstone to commemorate child: minimum dimensions	Integral base, max projection beyond headstone	Base, max projection beyond tall (>900mm) headstone	Base with vase	Foundation slab projection	Vertical headstone must be fixed to foundation slab	Upper surface of foundation slab must be flush with surrounding turf
						projection max 200			
Southwell & Nottingham	1200 x 900 x 150	750 x 500 x 75 (granite 50, slate 38)	450 x 375 x 50 (slate 38)	102		Max 200 projection in front and 102 behind	75 - 150	Foundation slab must be provided	Yes
Truro	1200 x 900 x 150	750 x 500 x 75/38	600 x 375 x 50	100 (and max 225 deep)	...	Base max 900 wide; max projection at front 180		Sufficient depth to ensure stability	
Winchester	1200 x 900 x 150	750 x 500 x 75/38	600 x 375 x 50	100 (max 225 deep)		Base max 375 front to back		BS 8415 and NAMM CoP	
Worcester	1200 x 900 x 150	500 x 500 x 75/40	...	100	...	Max one vase; projection max 200	...	Adequately secured	Flush or min 300 below surface
York	1200 x 900 x 150m	750 x 500 x 75/38	nil	102		Max projection 4" to side and 8" in front of headstone		Integral part of design	Below ground level

Table A3. Other types of memorials

Diocese	Horizontal ledger				Monument above cremated remains, other than in area set aside by faculty ¹			Vase	Any memorial
	Maximum dimensions: length x width x height above foundation	Minimum dimensions: length x width	Foundation slab: max projection beyond slab	Upper surface of ledger, or of foundation slab beneath ledger	maximum	Upper surface of slab	Other features.		Minimum distance from wall of church
Newsom, App III, Sch A	2100 x 900 x 225	1200 x 600	...	Flush with turf	300 x 200	Flush with turf	No flat surface (?); no hole or depression	max 300 x 20 x 200	1200
Bath & Wells	2100 x 900 (7' x 3')	1200 x 600 (4' x 2')		Just below level of turf	450 x 400 (18" x 16")	Just below level of turf		no more than 300 x 200 x 200 (12" x 8" x 8")	1200 (4")
Birmingham			[irregular mention of rectangular flat slab – no larger than the grave itself]	Flush with ground	450 x 300 (1' 6" x 1' 0")				
Blackburn	2130 x 900	Nil	125	Base flush with ground	Pref for mem book, but rules for individual churchyards will spell out details		Container must be of perishable nature		Nil
Bristol	none	None	None	Sufficiently flush with earth to allow mower to pass over					

¹ Note: Where area for remains has been set aside by faculty, memorial must be as per conditions of faculty.

Diocese	Horizontal ledger				Monument above cremated remains, other than in area set aside by faculty ¹			Vase	Any memorial
	Maximum dimensions: length x width x height above foundation	Minimum dimensions: length x width	Foundation slab: max projection beyond slab	Upper surface of ledger, or of foundation slab beneath ledger	maximum	Upper surface of slab	Other features.		Minimum distance from wall of church
Canterbury					525 x 525 (21" x 21")		[Specified in detail ²]	Any vase (in base or separate) not to protrude above level of base/ground or project beyond the plot.	4000
Carlisle	2100 x 900	Nil	n/a	Flush with surrounding ground	Not allowed			No specific size, only in the base	3000
Chelmsford									
Chester	1800 x 900	Nil	75	Flush with surrounding ground	533 x 533		If parish allows vertical then max 610 x 460 x 75		nil
Chichester	2100 x 900 x 75 (7' x 3' x 3")	-	-	Flush with turf or not more than 9" or 225 mm	No delegated power (Gardens of Remembrance encouraged)	-	-	-	4570 (5 yds)
Coventry	Equivalent to headstone measurements:	-	-	Flush with ground	Individual memorial not encouraged in area of burial of cremated remains	-	-	-	-

² Unpolished Portland, Purbeck, York or Nabrasena marbles, Celtic limestone, slate, honed pale grey granite, oak or teak, or another form of unpolished stone at the discretion of the Minister. Not more than 4 lines of text

Diocese	Horizontal ledger				Monument above cremated remains, other than in area set aside by faculty ¹			Vase	Any memorial
	Maximum dimensions: length x width x height above foundation	Minimum dimensions: length x width	Foundation slab: max projection beyond slab	Upper surface of ledger, or of foundation slab beneath ledger	maximum	Upper surface of slab	Other features.		Minimum distance from wall of church
	Max length 2100 (7')								
Derby	2100 x 900 (84" x 35")	-	125 (5")	-	Discouraged but: 400 x 400 (16" x 16")	Flush with ground	Flat	300 (12") Foundation stone 500 x 500 (20" x 20")	-
Durham	225 x 225				Not unless provided for in faculty setting aside area			300 x 200 x 200; If not part of memorial must be sunk into ground	1200
Ely	1800 x 600 (6' x 2')			Below surface of surrounding turf to facilitate mowing.	533 x 533 (21" x 21")	Flat and below surfaces of surrounding turf			
Exeter	2100 x 900 (7' x 3')		No more than 200 (8")	Flush or not more than 225 (9") above base	450 x 450 (18" x 18")				
Gloucester	Not permitted except for crem				450x300x50 (18" x 12" x 2")	Flush	Complicated provision for special local practice if proved	Integral vases mentioned under flowers but do not seem to be permitted	No
Guildford	Not permitted under regs				Additional inscription or (if no space) matching ledger no	Flush	Anything else allowed within regs or by faculty	300 x 200 x 200 (12" x 8" x 8")	

Diocese	Horizontal ledger				Monument above cremated remains, other than in area set aside by faculty ¹			Vase	Any memorial
	Maximum dimensions: length x width x height above foundation	Minimum dimensions: length x width	Foundation slab: max projection beyond slab	Upper surface of ledger, or of foundation slab beneath ledger	maximum	Upper surface of slab	Other features.		Minimum distance from wall of church
					more than 500 mm (1'8") square				
Hereford	2100 x 900 (7' x 3')				No ref			If not integral and if no other mem, max 300 x 200 x 200, with mem inscription	
Leicester	2100 x 900				Such burials appear to be prohibited by these regs except in an existing grave			Prohibited	800 for the burial of crem rems.
Leeds	None provided for				No reference				3000
Lichfield	Length max 1830 (6')				No special provision			Must be cube, between 203 and 304 each way	
Lincoln	None provided for				300 x 300 (12" x 12")	25 below ground	Area set aside for ashes should be done by faculty	300 x 200 x 200 (12" x 8" x 8") or level with or below ground level.	none
Liverpool	1800 x 900	nil	75	Flush with surrounding ground	533 x 533		If parish allows vertical then max 610 x 460 x 75		nil
Manchester	2100 x 900	nil	n/a	Flush with surrounding ground	Not allowed			No specific size, only in the base	3000

Diocese	Horizontal ledger				Monument above cremated remains, other than in area set aside by faculty ¹			Vase	Any memorial
	Maximum dimensions: length x width x height above foundation	Minimum dimensions: length x width	Foundation slab: max projection beyond slab	Upper surface of ledger, or of foundation slab beneath ledger	maximum	Upper surface of slab	Other features.		Minimum distance from wall of church
Newcastle	None provided for				May be provided for in faculty setting aside area			No specific size, only in the base	3500
Norwich	1800 (6') length	-	-	Not protrude above ground	525 x 525 (1'9" x 1'9")	Flush with turf	Vase may be incorporated	300 x 200 x 200 (12" x 8" x 8")	1200 (4')
Oxford	-	-	-	-	460 x 460 (18"x18")	Flush with the ground	-	Not permitted if PCC policy of alternative method of commemoration	-
Peterborough	-	-	-	-	(18" x18")	Flush with ground	Only name and dates of birth and death	-	-
Portsmouth	2100 x 900 (7'x3')	-	3"	Flush with turf or no more than 9" raised	-	-	-	30 x 300 x 300 (12"x12"x12")	-
Rochester	2100 x 900 (7'x3')	-	3"	9" above base (which is flush with turf)	-	-	-	Max 300 x 200 x 200 (12"x8"x8") Natural stone	-
St Albans	-	-	-	-	300 x 300 (12"x12")	Flush with turf	-	Max 300 x 200 x 200 (12"x8"x8")	1200 (4')
St Eds & Ipswich	...	...	...	...	535 x 535	Flush with turf	May include vase	...	1200

Diocese	Horizontal ledger				Monument above cremated remains, other than in area set aside by faculty ¹			Vase	Any memorial
	Maximum dimensions: length x width x height above foundation	Minimum dimensions: length x width	Foundation slab: max projection beyond slab	Upper surface of ledger, or of foundation slab beneath ledger	maximum	Upper surface of slab	Other features.		Minimum distance from wall of church
Salisbury	1500 x 900	750 x 375	...	Just below surface	300 x 370	Yes	No vase or other object	Max 300 x 200 x 200;	1200 (headstones only)
Sheffield	No provision				Only flat - 370 x 300				3500
Sodor & Man	2100 x 900			Flush with surrounding ground	No reference to them in these regs			Nil	Nil
Southwark	1800 x 600	...	...	Flush with turf	...	...	...	...	...
Southwell & Nottingham	2100 x 900		75	Flush with turf	If faculty allows – 305 x 305 x 51	slightly below ground level	Prohibited	Max 300 cube; min 200 cube	Nil
Truro	2100 x 900	1200 x 600	...	Flush with ground, exc as agreed	450 x 400	Flush with ground	...		...
Winchester	2100 x 900	...	75	Flush with turf; or up to 225 above ground; or at slight angle	450 x 400	Flush with ground	...	300 high	
Worcester	1800 x 600	...	...	Flush with turf	...	...	...	...	...
York	Not permitted				18" by 18"	Flush with the ground		Free standing not permitted	

Table A4. Memorials: permitted shape and materials

Diocese	Shape, generally	Shape, headstones	Other shapes	Allowed materials		Finish	Preferred materials	Memorials similar to others nearby
Newsom, App B, Sch A	Simple	...	...	Natural wood	Natural Stone	...	Local materials (as per local buildings or similar)	
Bath & Wells			Crosses acceptable (max 1200mm (4'))	Natural wood	Natural Stone	Not polished or reflective	Stones traditionally used in local buildings or closely similar to them in colour and texture are appropriate	
Birmingham	upright stone or book; "basically rectangular in shape"; top edge should be flat or in shape of cross; no protruding sculpted figure			English oak	unpolished natural stone sympathetic to the fabric of the church (but front may be polished)			
Blackburn		No unusual shapes eg harp, heart, teddy bear			Stone. In harmony with building	Finish – can be smooth but not reflective	Unpolished quarried lime, sand slate or granite preferred	If when regs came into force 10% were polished etc then can continue

Diocese	Shape, generally	Shape, headstones	Other shapes	Allowed materials		Finish	Preferred materials	Memorials similar to others nearby
Bristol				English oak	[See Note ³]			
Canterbury				oak or teak	[See Note ⁴]	Unpolished		
Carlisle	Not eccentric eg teddy bears		Crosses not exceeding 1200 may be allowed	Hardwood	Natural stone Sand, lime, granite or slate, quarried in UK Colour and type in keeping			
Chelmsford	Parallel sides; straight or curved top				[See Note ⁵] Stone must be ethically sourced and processed	Unpolished		
Chester	Simple and consistent with others nearby	Curved tops preferable to straight edges	Wooden cross 450 x 300	A wooden cross is permitted, but otherwise wood prohibited	Natural stone harmonious with surroundings and setting of churchyard	Ancient/traditional churches – unpolished stone; More modern churches – imported or highly finished stones may be permitted by minister		
Chichester	-	-	-	Temporary simple wooden cross	Specified limestones, sandstones, slate and granite	-	-	-

³ Preferably local stone; if not, English limestone or pennant stone; unpolished grey granite; Nabresina (Roman stone); English or Welsh slate; or British sandstone

⁴ Portland, Purbeck, York or Nabrasina marbles, Celtic Limestone, slate, honed pale grey granite. Other forms of unpolished stone may be permitted at discretion of Minister

⁵ Harmonious with church. Slate; Limestone: Blue Lias, Chilmark, Hopton Wood, Hornton, Nabresina, Oathill Cotswold Cream, Portland, Purbeck Pond Freestone, Purbeck Thornback. Sandstones: Caithness Stone, Dukes, Forest of Dean, Peakmoor, Scotch Buff, Stoneraise Red, Wattscliffe Lilac, West Stone, Yorkstone, Grey Granite.

Diocese	Shape, generally	Shape, headstones	Other shapes	Allowed materials		Finish	Preferred materials	Memorials similar to others nearby
Coventry	-	“any shape or style of top” provided incumbent satisfied it is “appropriate for the churchyard”	-	Hardwood cross max 1220 (4') high	“a memorial should be made of a stone of the colour, type, and texture used in building the church or other local buildings or a stone closely similar to those in colour and texture.”			[See Note ⁶]
Derby	-	-	-	Teak and oak	[See Note ⁷]			
Durham	Simple			Hardwood	Natural indigenous stone or slate; as used locally	Not mirror polished		
Ely	-	Cross up to 5' high	Cross of wrought iron	Hard wood	Natural stone; Welsh Black or Westmoreland Slate	Rustic, fine rubbed (egg-shell/honed) but not polished (reflective); For infants, white marble.	Local stone which reflects colour of stone of church building	-
Exeter	Curved tops preferable to straight edged ones			British hardwood from a sustainable source	Natural stone; stones traditionally used in local buildings (or closely related)		Red granite where church is of similar material.	
Gloucester	Simple upright	Simple upright;	Stone Sloping book; wooden	Natural hardwood	Any natural stone except white marble	Not reflective (honed matt is OK)		

⁶ Exceptionally if there is already a group of at least six memorials of the same material, design, and colour which do not comply and which occupy a clearly defined contiguous area or row. In such circumstances the incumbent after consultation with the Archdeacon may (but is not required to) authorise further memorials of the same material, design, and colour to complete that area or row but not to extend beyond that area or row.

⁷ Specified limestones, sandstones, Stancliffe of Darley Dale stone, grey granite and slate; specific reference to sandstone and limestone within Peak District National Park

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		curved or square tops referred to	cross (if it complies with requirements of Schedule 1, which does not mention wooden crosses)		or any granite except unpolished light grey			
Guildford	Simple		Cross, stone vase, urn	Hardwood	Weathering natural stone	Not polished or reflecting	Local or similar	
Hereford	Simple	Simple	Cross, ledger	Natural	Natural; list of permitted stones	Non-reflective	Local	
Leicester	No ref	No ref	Nothing	No	Natural stone, of a colour, type or texture traditionally used within the locality of the churchyard	No general ref		
Leeds					Lime, sand slate, some granite (see below)	No polished stone or mirror finish		
Lichfield	Any if appropriate and not irregular or unusual	Any if appropriate and not irregular or unusual	Stone cross within regs size; wooden cross max height 915 (3')	No ref, despite wooden cross allowed	[Lengthy narrative + list];	No polished stones, but the lettered surface may be polished	Nothing to add	Rules uncertain as to books; complicated rules for general position
Lincoln	-	Not limited to rectangular; curved tops preferable to straight edges	Crosses (Max height 1500 (5')	Teak, oak, cast or wrought iron	Natural stone – (recommended examples given).	No reflecting finish	-	-

Diocese	Shape, generally	Shape, headstones	Other shapes	Allowed materials		Finish	Preferred materials	Memorials similar to others nearby
Liverpool	Simple and consistent with others nearby	Curved tops preferable to straight edges		A wooden cross is permitted, but otherwise wood prohibited	Natural stone harmonious with surroundings and setting of churchyard	Ancient/traditional churches – unpolished stone; more modern churches – imported or highly finished stones may be permitted by minister		Impossible to summarise; but idea is to require a clean break and insist on these regs for most (not all) purposes
Manchester	Not eccentric eg teddy bears		Crosses not exceeding 1200 may be allowed	Hardwood	Natural stone Sand, lime, granite or slate, quarried in UK Colour and type in keeping			
Newcastle	Nil			Hardwood	Natural stone	Polished on front and top only		
Norwich	Flat face and vertical	Simple	Simple cross (max 825 (2'9" width))	Unpainted/unvarnished teak or oak	Specified stone	Not mirror polished	In harmony with church and other memorials	In harmony with other memorial
Oxford	-	-	Book permitted	hardwood	Natural stone	Not reflective/polished	-	-
Peterborough	-	Curved or flat top	None	Teak or oak hardwood	Natural stone	Not reflective/polished	Local materials or similar in colour and texture	-
Portsmouth	-	-	-	Limestone, slate, light granite (or matt Rustenberg granite)	-	Not highly polished/reflective	-	-

Diocese	Shape, generally	Shape, headstones	Other shapes	Allowed materials		Finish	Preferred materials	Memorials similar to others nearby
Rochester	-	Simple	Cross	hardwood	Natural stone or slate	Not polished	Stones that blend with locality	Stones that blend
St Albans	-	Not heart or figure	Cross, boulder	Oak	Natural stone	Non reflective	Traditionally used locally. Ethically sourced and processed	
St Eds & Ipswich	Simple	monolith preferred (both faces flat);	Cross considered on merits	Yes	...	...	Local materials	May be permitted by vicar
Salisbury	...	Simple	Cross, simple or Celtic; or book (max 450 x 750); CWGC standard	Oak, if unpainted and unvarnished	Limestone (specified); Blue lias and sandstone (local); slate (specified); granite (specified), if matt	...	...	Yes
Sheffield	Not restricted to rectangular			Hardwood	Natural stone, traditionally used locally or close in colour & texture	Polished on front and top only		
Sodor & Man	Simple in shape, not eccentric eg heart, teddy bear, book	Straight or curved top	Pasion (Latin), Celtic, Maltese, St Chad 1500 x 150 max; min 65 wide		Natural stone, similar in texture & colour to local buildings, or in keeping with other memorials	Not highly polished or reflective		
Southwark	Headstone, or ledger	Vertical headstone, or headstone on horizontal base	...	...	Sandstone, limestone, granite (not dark), slate		...	...
Southwell & Nottingham	Not restricted to rectangular		Stone cross max 1500; hardwood cross max 900	Hardwood crosses	Natural stone or slate – long list of examples in App II	Non reflective finish; may be 'fine		

Diocese	Shape, generally	Shape, headstones	Other shapes	Allowed materials		Finish	Preferred materials	Memorials similar to others nearby
						rubbed', no part may be polished		
Truro		Rectangular or curved top	Cross, individually designed; or book (max 750 high); CWGC standard; or vase	Hardwood	Granite (silver grey), from Tarn, Karin, Marlow; slate (Cornish, Welsh blue or grey, Lakeland green or grey)	Preferred: smooth (non-reflected), honed; permissible: rough; reflective (only main face)	Silver gey granite (from Cornwall or Devon)	...
Winchester	Other types, if approved by PCC and archdeacon		Cross or Celtic cross; or book (max 450 x 600)		Limestone (specified); slate (specified); granite (specified) with matt finish	...	...
Worcester	Headstone, or ledger	Vertical headstone, or headstone on horizontal base	...	...	Sandstone, limestone, granite (not dark), slate	...	...	...
York	Simple.			Hardwood (pref oak). Crosses permitted, max 4' high	Natural native stone.	Not polished so as to reflect. "Part honed" is smoothest surface permitted		

Table A5. Memorials: prohibited shapes and materials

Note: square brackets indicate that the shape material in question is prohibited by implication, since it is not in the (exclusive) list of those that are permitted.

Diocese	Shape	Materials						
		Stone generally	Granite	Marble	Synthetic stone	Surface of stone	Plastic	Other
Newsom, App B, Sch. A		...	Black, pearl, polished (any colour)	White	Any	Any stone mirror-polished to reflect	Any	
Bath & Wells			Black, pearl	Any	Any		Any	
Birmingham			Any other than unpolished grey; esp not black	Any; esp not black	Any	Not more than one side polished	Any	Not of mixed stone
Blackburn	Unusual – harp, heart, teddy; open books		Highly polished	“or other marbles”	No ref	Highly polished (unless historic exception)	No ref	
Bristol								
Canterbury								
Carlisle	Eccentric eg teddy bear prohibited also vase, urn book or statue			Prohibited	Prohibited	Not mirror polished or eggshell finished	Prohibited	
Chelmsford				Prohibited	Prohibited	Not polished/reflective		Stone must be ethically sourced and processed
Chester	Hearts				Reconstituted stone permitted if meets BS 6457		Prohibited	Concrete, pottery, ceramic, metal, fibreglass also prohibited
Chichester	Vases, hearts and open book	Everything other that permitted	-	-	-	Polished or mirror finish	-	Restrictions on coloured lettering

Diocese	Shape	Materials						
		Stone generally	Granite	Marble	Synthetic stone	Surface of stone	Plastic	Other
		stone (see above)						
Coventry	No "irregular or unusual shape"; No open book unless archdeacon "concludes that the churchyard already contains such a substantial number of such memorials that it would be inappropriate to refuse permission."	any memorial or element of a memorial which involves stone, concrete, metal, glass, plaster, or plastic objects whether in the form of model people, animals, or toys or otherwise."			No artificial stone	"polished granites, marbles, or synthetic stones are not normally appropriate"		Natural boulders permitted.
Derby	Open book or cross	-	Highly polished brightly coloured black or white marble	Any marble	none	-	none	No terracotta
Durham	Cross, heart, vase, or open book		Black, blue or red Polished Gr of any colour	White	Prohibited		Prohibited	
Ely								
Exeter	Heart shape or open book not permitted		Black, blue or dark grey	White marble	Prohibited	Polished (reflective)	Prohibited	
Gloucester	Anything not expressly permitted, inc stone cross, horizontal ledgers, kerbs, chippings, sculptures		Anything except unpolished grey	White	Prohibited	Not reflective	Prohibited	Only natural stone or hardwood are allowed

Diocese	Shape	Materials						
		Stone generally	Granite	Marble	Synthetic stone	Surface of stone	Plastic	Other
Guildford	Horizontal ledgers, statue, bird bath; wedge or book not prohibited but requires faculty	Anything black, dark grey or red	Anything black, dark grey or red	Anything black, dark grey or red	Prohibited	Polished or reflecting prohibited	Prohibited	
Hereford	Anything not permitted specifically columbaria, hearts, figures, bird baths	By implication, any stone not listed;	Black, pearl, polished (any colour)	White; but marble is not in the list of permitted stones	Carvable reconstituted stone if otherwise unavailable	Non-reflective	prohibited	Plastic or glass containers
Leicester	Boulder, cross (inc Celtic cross), open book, heart, other shapes	'Polished granites, marbles or unusual stone'	If polished	Query generally or only if polished	Prohibited	No ref unless granite or possibly marble and/or unusual stone	No ref	Junk (MO's summary)
Leeds	Cross		Black, red, blue, green, white or multi-coloured	No ref	No ref	Polished stone or mirror finish	No ref	
Lichfield	Unusual, irregular, heart, teddy bear, any other shape of an object	polished granites, marbles, or synthetic stones	Black, dark grey	Query generally or only if polished	Prohibited	Inscribed face may be polished, stone may not be	No ref	Junk (MO's summary)
Lincoln	open book, hearts, figure statuary	Polished	black or dark grey granites (unless honed).	prohibited	prohibited	polished	prohibited	
Liverpool					Reconstituted stone permitted if meets BS 6457		Prohibited	Concrete, pottery, ceramic, metal, fibreglass also prohibited
Manchester	Eccentric eg teddy bear prohibited also			Prohibited	Prohibited	Not mirror polished or eggshell finished	Prohibited	

Diocese	Shape	Materials						
		Stone generally	Granite	Marble	Synthetic stone	Surface of stone	Plastic	Other
	vase, urn book or statue							
Newcastle			Black, blue & red and darker than Rustenburg grey discouraged and not permitted if not already common	White	Prohibited		Prohibited	
Norwich	Specific object such as heart, boulder, open book	[Stone other than specified types]	Not black /red granite or granite darker than Welsh slate	All	All	Stone mirror polished above eggshell	All	
Oxford	Not statute or particular object (save book – see above).	Not black, blue, red or green or brightly coloured	-	Prohibited	Prohibited	Reflective/polished	Prohibited	
Peterborough	[shapes other than headstone]	-	Black, blue, dark grey, red, darker than Rustenberg	White	Prohibited	Reflecting/polished	Prohibited	Metal
Portsmouth	heart		Dark granite	Marble	Any	Highly polished/reflective	-	
Rochester	Open book or heart	-	Red black or dark grey	All	Prohibited	Not mirror polished	Prohibited	-
St Albans	Hearts, figures	-	Black or pearl or all-polished	White	All	Not reflective	All	Glass. 'junk'
St Eds & Ipswich	Figures, hearts, books, anything unusual	Garish; darker than Welsh slate; lighter than Portland limestone or Cornish granite	Black, red or pink	All	Synthetic or composite; or concrete	Polished to reflect, or any finer than 220 grade hone	All	Fibreglass or metal
Salisbury	Shapes other than those specified	[Stone other than specified types]	[Non-specified types of granite]	[All]	[All]	Stone mirror polished above eggshell	[All]	[All]

Diocese	Shape	Materials						
		Stone generally	Granite	Marble	Synthetic stone	Surface of stone	Plastic	Other
Sheffield	Heart & book		Black, blue & red and grey darker than Rustenburg discouraged (not permitted if not already common)	White	Prohibited	Polished only on front and top	Prohibited	
Sodor & Man	Not eccentric eg heart, teddy bear, book							
Southwark	[Shapes other than those specified]	[Stone other than specified types]	Darker than Rustenberg grey	[All]	[All]	Highly polished reflective	[All]	[All]
Southwell & Nottingham			Imported black, blue, or red granite; Gr darker than Rustenburg grey	White	Conglomerate or synthetic stone prohibited		Prohibited	
Truro	...	[Stone other than specified types]	Blue, red, black, dark grey	White	Synthetic	...	All	[All]
Winchester	[Hearts, and shapes other than those specified]	[Stone other than specified types]	[Non-specified types of granite]	[All]	[All]	Highly polished or black stone	[All]	[All]
Worcester	[Shapes other than those specified]	[Stone other than specified types]	Darker than Rustenberg grey	[All]	[All]	Highly polished reflective	[All]	[All]
York	Stone crosses, hearts, open books		Black, blue, red; all polished gr	All marble	Synthetic or artificial	Not polished so as to reflect	Prohibited	

Table A6. Memorials: Inscriptions

Diocese	Inscriptions: allowed	Inscriptions: not allowed	Lettering	Trademarks, adverts (exc mason's name on side or reverse, letters max 13mm high)	Pictures or photographs	QR codes	Further inscriptions
Newsom, App B, Sch. A	...	...	...	Prohibited	Prohibited	....
Bath & Wells	No ref	No ref	No colour except black, white, silver, gold	Mason's name permitted	Prohibited	No ref	
Birmingham	Required: full names and dates of birth and death consistent with Christian scripture, teaching and doctrine	Not tactless/inapt; no comparison with anyone else buried in the churchyard	Incised without colouring or gilding/silvering	Mason's name only permitted with incumbent's permission	Prohibited		Not without permission from Chancellor. Max size 15 x .15 (6" x 6")
Blackburn	Consistent with Christian belief; read well now; appropriate for future	No nicknames	Unpainted, painted, gilded or leaded	No ref	Prohibited	No ref	
Bristol		images or carvings that are not explicitly consonant with orthodox Christian belief	Permitted colours: Gold; Copper Silver; Matt White; Matt Black; Matt Grey		Prohibited		Armed Forces insignia only with letter of authority
Canterbury	Must include names; date of death; and date of birth or age at death		Matt grey or earth-coloured enamel only				All necessary third-party permissions must be obtained. Must be clearly legible

Diocese	Inscriptions: allowed	Inscriptions: not allowed	Lettering	Trademarks, adverts (exc mason's name on side or reverse, letters max 13mm high)	Pictures or photographs	QR codes	Further inscriptions
	Words to be appropriate in opinion of the minister						and of suitable design
Carlisle	Simple, reverent and theologically acceptable - honour, comfort & inform		Incised or in relief; hand-crafted lettering encouraged	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	
Chelmsford				Prohibited	Prohibited	Not polished/reflective	
Chester	Simple and reverent		Cut lettering - may be picked out in paint or gilding; lead prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	No ref	Separate approval, following subsequent interment
Chichester	-	No pet names	Restrictions on coloured or filled lettering	Permitted if "position and appearance unobtrusive"	Prohibited	-	-
Coventry	Inscriptions must be consonant with orthodox Christian belief; not "over-sentimental", "flippant" or "irreverent."	"When an inscription is permitted in a language other than English it is important that the translation is accurately recorded in the Parish records."	"Plastic lettering is not permitted nor is the gilding or silvering of lettering."	"the stonemason's name may be discreetly incised on the side or the reverse of the memorial. The letters of such an inscription are not to exceed 13mm (½") in height."	No photographs or portraits "With the agreement of the Archdeacon the incumbent may permit the inclusion of a symbol which has a particular relevance to the life of the deceased."	Prohibited	Yes, provided the additional inscription is itself in acceptable terms and corresponds to the style and appearance of the existing inscription
Derby	Simple, reverent and not contrary to the doctrine of the Church of England	Language other than English or Latin requires a faculty	No cursive script or leaded lettering	No trademarks or advertisements	Prohibited	Prohibited	Permitted under 'Churchyard Maintenance'

Diocese	Inscriptions: allowed	Inscriptions: not allowed	Lettering	Trademarks, adverts (exc mason's name on side or reverse, letters max 13mm high)	Pictures or photographs	QR codes	Further inscriptions
Durham	Simple, reverent and quotations appropriate		Inscribed or in relief not plastic or inserted; not leaded or gilded. may be shade lighter or darker than stone	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	Separate application, consistent with original
Ely	Simple and reverent. Of biblical or liturgical origin. Literary sources		Plastic or other inserted lettering not permitted.	Stonemason's mark permitted provided not in a prominent position	Prohibited Etchings allowed if they do not depict an individual and cover no more than one fifth of surface	Prohibited	Separate approval necessary
Exeter	Simple, reverent, appropriate and of Christian significance Archdeacon may approve inscription on rear of stone		Must be unleaded and no larger than 13 mm (½") in height	Only mason's mark and grave number (where required).	Engravings (no colour) permitted	-	Require separate approval
Gloucester	Consistent with Christian belief; accurate, imaginative	Inaccurate or misleading; excessive sentimentality to be avoided.	Incised or relief; infill may be with one of gold, black or grey or lead infill; no other form of applied lettering	Prohibited	Prohibited	No ref	Additional inscription needs separate authorisation but may be on reverse if no room on front
Guildford	Simple, reverent, appropriate; should include Christian name, surname, age, dates; limitation of named relatives; may have quotations consistent with		Should be incised, may be leaded or painted black or white	Prohibited	Prohibited, as are 'coloured drawings'	No ref	

Diocese	Inscriptions: allowed	Inscriptions: not allowed	Lettering	Trademarks, adverts (exc mason's name on side or reverse, letters max 13mm high)	Pictures or photographs	QR codes	Further inscriptions
	Christian faith; must be agreed with incumbent						
Hereford	Simple, reverent, appropriate; identify place, honour, comfort, inform		Incised or relief; hand-cut encouraged; flush or raised lead; may be picked out in black, silver or gold	Prohibited	Prohibited	No ref	
Leicester	Simple and consistent with Christian belief in life after death; not confined to personal loss or sorrow	No symbols, motifs permitted except plain cross (but the Chancellor 'will often allow' them)	Incised or relief	Prohibited	Prohibited	A small plastic plate with the stone mason's name or any other information is not permitted	No spec ref
Leeds		No 'pet names', plastic lettering, bronze or ceramic inserts	Incised lettering - gold, silver, matt-white/ black/grey		Prohibited	No ref	
Lichfield	[Lengthy narrative]	Only clear prohibition is inscription is contrary to Church's message	Incised or relief and/or painted but no gold or silver, no plastic	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	OK if inscription otherwise OK
Lincoln	Simple and reverent and preferably of biblical, Prayer Book or Common Worship origin. Name, dates of	No prohibitions	Incised or in relief. May be painted, but not gold/silver. No inserted lettering	prohibited	Photos prohibited	No ref	Separate approval needed

Diocese	Inscriptions: allowed	Inscriptions: not allowed	Lettering	Trademarks, adverts (exc mason's name on side or reverse, letters max 13mm high)	Pictures or photographs	QR codes	Further inscriptions
	birth and death/age 'should be included'						
Liverpool	Simple and reverent		Cut lettering - may be picked out in paint or gilding; lead prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	No ref	Separate approval, following subsequent interment
Manchester	Simple, reverent and theologically acceptable - honour, comfort & inform		Incised or in relief; hand crafted lettering encouraged	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	
Newcastle	Simple and dignified		Incised or in relief, may be painted. No plastic or inserted lettering	Prohibited	Prohibited	No ref	Separate approval, following subsequent interment
Norwich	Simple, dignified and reverent and should have a clear Christian or traditional funerary symbolism or reflect the life and work of the deceased.		Incised, carved or leaded, painted (black, white, duck egg blue, gold or silver)	No ref	Portraits prohibited	No ref	
Oxford	Simple reverent and not contrary to doctrine	-	No cursive script. Incised or in relief. Uncoloured, grey or black. Not inserted.	-	Portrait/photograph prohibited. Uncoloured pictures permitted if reverent and not contrary to doctrine	prohibited	Allowed if authorised by minister
Peterborough	Simple and reverent and	-	Incised or in relief. Shade lighter or darker than stone. Not gilded,	Prohibited	Photos and portraits, painted/coloured images prohibited.	No ref	Allowed if authorised by minister

Diocese	Inscriptions: allowed	Inscriptions: not allowed	Lettering	Trademarks, adverts (exc mason's name on side or reverse, letters max 13mm high)	Pictures or photographs	QR codes	Further inscriptions
	compatible with the Christian faith		silvered or inserted lettering				
Portsmouth	Accurate. Nicknames unobjectionable	-	Incised or in relief. Black, white, gold or harmonised colour	Prohibited	Images less than 150 (6") high permitted. Can be coloured with 'blending' colours	-	-
Rochester	Those approved by incumbent with guidance in Churchyards Handbook	-	Not gilded or silvered	-	prohibited	-	-
St Albans	Simple reverent and appropriate	-	Incised or in relief. Black grey, silver, gold or white. Applied letter prohibited	Prohibited	<u>Simple</u> decoration which harmonises with material	prohibited	Allowed with permission
St Eds & Ipswich	One side only. Priest has discretion to allow familiar or idiomatic	Profane or offensive	Uncoloured preferred; black, silver, gold may be allowed; not leaded	As Newsom, but 15mm	...	...	Allowed (and existing ones renovated)
Salisbury	Simple, dignified, reverent; traditional Christian or funerary or reflect deceased	...	Clearly incised, and uncoloured, or Black, silver, gold or leaded	As Newsom	Engraved images allowed, but not portraits of deceased	...	
Sheffield	Simple and dignified		Incised or in relief, may be painted. No plastic or inserted lettering	Prohibited	Prohibited	Only by faculty	Separate approval, following subsequent interment
Sodor & Man	not eccentric eg heart, teddy bear, book	Must be in English and in the Roman alphabet	Plastic and other applied relief lettering	Prohibited	Only pictures if incised and represent objects or motifs appropriate to life of deceased, or accepted Christian symbols	No ref	

Diocese	Inscriptions: allowed	Inscriptions: not allowed	Lettering	Trademarks, adverts (exc mason's name on side or reverse, letters max 13mm high)	Pictures or photographs	QR codes	Further inscriptions
Southwark	Contains name and key dates; must be accurate	...	No more than one colour	As Newsom	Incised artwork allowed; no more than one colour	...	Allowed, provided complies with regulations
Southwell & Nottingham	Simple, reverent and appropriate; not over-familiar		Incised or in relief; may be black, white, grey or gold. Coloured lettering; plastic inserted lettering not permitted	Prohibited	Porcelain portraits, photographs and photo-etching not allowed		Incumbent may allow – must be consistent with original
Truro	Simple, reverent, Christian; identifies deceased		Incised or in relief; may be black, white, silver or gold, or lead	As Newsom	Photos or portraits not allowed; pictures not allowed	Not allowed	Allowed, provided consistent with original; also references to burials elsewhere
Winchester	Simple, reverent, Ch o England	Contrary to doctrine	Small engravings relevant to deceased; not offensive etc	...	Photographs and portraits of deceased	Not allowed	
Worcester	Contains name and key dates; must be accurate	...	No more than one colour	As Newsom	Incised artwork allowed; no more than one colour	...	Allowed, provided complies with guidelines
York	Honour, comfort, inform.	Private names not suitable, but shortened names may be included in brackets after full name	Incised or in relief. Colours allowed: matt black/white/ grey/brown. Not gold or silver	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	Separate approval, following subsequent interment

Table A7. Memorials: other prohibited items

Diocese	Raised kerbs, railings	Stone or other chippings	Statues	Trees, shrubs	Misc
Newsom, App B, Sch. A	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	...	...
Bath & Wells	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited		Bird baths prohibited
Birmingham	Prohibited	Prohibited		Bulbs and small plants permitted with agreement of incumbent	Railings, lighting prohibited No artificial flowers exc Remembrance poppies. Sentimental items to be removed after 42 days post-interment
Blackburn	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	No ref	
Bristol	Prohibited	prohibited	Prohibited		Metal or plastic inserts.
Canterbury	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited		
Carlisle	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	No ref	
Chelmsford	Prohibited	Prohibited			No artificial flowers, except: Remembrance poppies; Christmas and birthday wreaths
Chester	Prohibited	Prohibited		Prohibited	
Chichester	Prohibited	Prohibited	-	No artificial flowers	-
Coventry					Any object designed to make a noise when moved by the wind.
Derby	Prohibited	Prohibited	-	Bulbs permitted. Trees, shrubs, conifers or other perennial plants prohibited.	Windmills and wind chimes prohibited. Solar lights and candles prohibited. Removal of mementoes after one year.
Durham	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	No ref	
Ely	Prohibited	Prohibited	Statue prohibited	No artificial flowers. Trees and shrubs require a faculty.	No lighting, solar or otherwise, No video or sound recordings
Exeter	Prohibited	Prohibited	Sculpture and other statuary of good design and not discouraged but need the authority of the Archdeacon in consultation with the DAC	Bulbs permitted. No artificial flowers.	Glass shades are not permitted.

Diocese	Raised kerbs, railings	Stone or other chippings	Statues	Trees, shrubs	Misc
Gloucester	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	Not mentioned	
Guildford	Prohibited	Prohibited	Excluded from delegated authority	Not mentioned	
Hereford	Prohibited	Prohibited	No ref	Discouraged (flowering annual plants encouraged)	chains
Leicester	Prohibited	Prohibited	'Stone ... model people' prohibited		Chains; various 'junk' (MO summary)
Leeds	Prohibited	Prohibited	Not discouraged but needs faculty	No ref	
Lichfield	Prohibited	Prohibited	'Stone ... model people' prohibited		'Junk' (MO summary); anything designed to make a noise when moved by the wind
Lincoln	prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	No ref	
Liverpool	Prohibited	Prohibited		Prohibited	
Manchester	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	No ref	
Newcastle	Prohibited	Prohibited	Needs faculty	No ref	
Norwich	prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	No ref	'junk'
Oxford	prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited (not bulbs)	Up to 3 toys permitted for max 12m
Peterborough	prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited if free standing	Prohibited	-
Portsmouth	Railings prohibited	Prohibited	-	(Bulbs permitted)	
Rochester	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	(bulbs and small plants permitted)	-
St Albans	Prohibited	prohibited	Prohibited	prohibited	
St Eds & Ipswich	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	Various items not allowed
Salisbury	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	...	Various items not allowed
Sheffield	Prohibited	Prohibited	Needs faculty	No ref	
Sodor & Man	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	No ref	
Southwark	...	...	...	...	...
Southwell & Nottingham	Prohibited	Prohibited	No ref	Planting of shrubs to be avoided	tempo
Truro	Prohibited	Prohibited	...	...	Flowers, toys etc not allowed exc for short period
Winchester	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	Various items not allowed
Worcester	...	...	...	...	...
York	Prohibited	Prohibited		Prohibited	

Table A8. Other matters

Diocese	Temporary markers		Time from interment	
	Stake or cross allowed	Plaque		
Newsom, App B, Sch. A	...			
Bath & Wells	No ref	No ref	No ref	
Birmingham			No monument for 6 months	Poss exception for children
Blackburn	No ref	No ref	No ref	
Bristol				
Canterbury				No application for monument within 6 months (1 month if cremated remains)
Carlisle	Wooden cross 450 x 300	Small plaque on cross	6 months, but incumbent can increase to 12	
Chelmsford	Wooden cross max 380 x 305 (15" x 12") Metal cross c.460mm (18"): Passion (Latin) shape or Celtic, Maltese, Crosslet or St. Chad's		3 years	No application for monument within 6 months of interment
Chester	No ref		No ref	
Chichester				
Coventry				
Derby				
Durham	No ref	No ref	No ref	
Ely				
Exeter				
Gloucester	Temporary wooden cross allowed if otherwise within regs, possibly only on crem rems	No ref	No ref discovered	
Guildford	No ref	No ref	No ref	
Hereford	No ref	No ref	About 1 year	
Leicester	Wooden cross, max 2 years	No	No ref	
Leeds	Wooden cross 12" max	No ref	6 months	

Diocese	Temporary markers		Time from interment	
	Stake or cross allowed	Plaque		
Lichfield	No ref	No ref	6 months before application	
Lincoln	-	-	6m	
Liverpool	No ref		No ref	
Manchester	Wooden cross 450 x 300	Small plaque on cross	6 months, but incumbent can increase to 12	
Newcastle	No ref	No ref	6 months	
Norwich	Wooden cross max 900mm/3'	No ref	12m	
Oxford	-	-	6m	
Peterborough	Cross allowed max 450 x 300 (1'6"x1')	Small plaque on cross	Before permanent burial	
Portsmouth	Wooden cross	-	-	
Rochester	-	-	-	
St Albans	Allowed	-	6m	
St Eds & Ipswich	Allowed; max 400 high, 200 wide	Wood max 130 x 90; brass 105 x 65		
Salisbury				
Sheffield	No ref	No ref	6 months	
Sodor & Man	No ref	No ref	No ref	
Southwark	Yes	...	6 months	
Southwell & Nottingham	No ref	No ref	No ref	
Truro				
Winchester				
Worcester	Yes	...	6 months	
York	No ref	No ref	6 months	