

Form of Renunciation

EXCLUSIVE RIGHT OF BURIAL

Relating to application to register new owner of exclusive right of burial

Details of the grave owner (as noted on deed, registered with CCC)

Grave number:

Grant number:

Purchase date:

Grave owners name:

Details of new owner

Full name

Address and postcode:

Email:

Telephone:

Details of joint owner (if applicable)

Full name

Address and postcode:

Email:

Telephone:

Renunciation

I, the undersigned hereby renounce all my interest and title in the exclusive right of burial to the above grave, and desire that the said right of burial shall be vested solely in the new owner(s) above:

Signature

Date:

Name:

Address:

Email:

Telephone:

Relationship to new owner:

Guidance notes for completing a form of renunciation

Burial Law (Local Authorities Cemeteries Order 1977) states that no burial may take place in a grave and no memorial may be placed on a grave without the written permission of the grave owner during the period of the Exclusive Rights, excluding the burial of the grave owner.

The council's statutory registers contain the details of the registered grave owners. It is important that grave owners keep safe their deed of grant as this is a legal document containing the grave details. The council issues this document when the grave is first purchased and it should be produced for each burial. Possession of the deed does not in itself signify ownership of the grave.

A situation often arises where registered owner(s) are deceased and other family members wish to arrange a further burial to take place in the grave, or for an additional inscription to be placed on the memorial.

If there is more than one person entitled to claim ownership of the deceased owner's grave then each person would need to give their consent for further burials. This can often lead to delays in arranging burials or family disputes and it is often better for one member of the family to become the registered grave owner by transferring the grave ownership. To do this all those persons with a claim to ownership will need to renounce their entitlement in favour of one person.

The statutory register of grave ownership will be updated following the transfer of ownership.

There is a fee payable for the transfer of grave ownership.

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This form is used together with a statutory declaration when the grave ownership is claimed by more than one person, and one or more of the owners wishes to give up their rights to the ownership in favour of another person.

Statutory declaration

Used to transfer ownership from a deceased owner when no official documents have been issued.

Declarations can either be based on a will that did not go to probate, claiming ownership by the executor or by the next of kin if the deceased left no will.