

Manager's Report

Statistics

Website

In the past 30 days to date, there have been approximately 14500 views of the crematorium web pages.

MEMORIAL SALES

MONTH	VASE BLOCKS	SANCTUM 12	LEASE RENEWALS
September 2017	1	1	8
October 2017	3	4	6
November 2017	8	4	2
December 2017	3	0	0

CREMATIONS

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Jan	268	240	262	278	220*	254	278	254	283	298	279	263
Feb	258	243	262	254	200*	268	256	226	262	227	239	225
Mar	299	277	287	241	267	279	249	235	253	218	250	241
Apr	229	268	245	222	268	237	193	229	222	246	227	227
May	266	266	230	234	274	270	232	198	204	236	224	226
Jun	260	264	241	239	218	193*	232	235	206	201	224	202
Jul	219	211	237	257	211	175*	204	208	205	206	247	202
Aug	236	244	187	206	183	168*	241	198	191	223	220	215
Sep	228	228	232	204	194	158*	221	218	204	210	211	211
Oct	240	224	225	243	234	186*	233	232	225	251	241	210
Nov	251	239	249	222	226	176*	220	219	212	200	225	217
Dec	191	244	266	248	200	182*	234	227	238	234	207	186
TOTAL	2945	2948	2913	2848	2695	2546*	2793	2679	2705	2750	2794	2625

**Figures marked with an asterisk are at times with reduced service provision due to the installation of mercury abatement plant.*

The figure for December 2017 was 53 lower than the same period in 2016 and 34 lower than the 12 year average (excludes 2013)

The figure for January 2018, although still subject to change, is likely to be 239, 29 lower than the corresponding period in 2017 and 30 lower than the 12 year average (excludes 2013)

SINGLE USE PLASTICS

With a view to improving the crematorium's environmental footprint, and in line with recent moves by central government, it is proposed that we stop using single use plastic containers for cremated remains. The alternative proposed is the sole use of locally manufactured cardboard containers. This will succeed lowering carbon emissions in the transport of the containers, and benefitting the local economy.

Likewise, it is proposed to cease the use of plastic bags, moving over to environmentally friendly paper bags.

INTERMENT OR CREMATED REMAINS

In recent years, there has been a very large increase in the percentage of cremated remains removed from the crematorium. As a result, the number of sets of cremated remains being interred in the garden of remembrance each week has diminished greatly. It is proposed that the weekly burials are moved to fortnightly, which would have the benefit of diminishing the amount of ground being used, and hence greatly extend the useful life span of the gardens.

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

The work to create a further six large burial plots in the garden of remembrance is nearly complete. The benefits are improved visual amenity, and a long extension of the useful life span of the garden of remembrance. The ground has now been fully levelled, and a new evergreen laurel hedge has been planted (grown in-house). Once the worst of the winter weather has passed, the corners of the new plots will be marked with trees and the ground will be laid to its finished, lawned surface.