

# **BURIAL & CREMATION SCHEME**

## ***An explanation of your “Burial Fees” Contribution***

We realise that some members are unclear as to the “Burial Scheme” and their entitlement. We hope these notes will assist in clarifying this sensitive matter, although they are a simplification of a fairly complicated set of rules.

- 1) Your subscription covers only:
  - a) The cost of a grave space at the Edgwarebury Lane Cemetery. For non-subscribers a burial plot at the time of death would be approximately £6000 for an in-depth grave.
  - or
  - b) The cost of weekday Crematorium charges at Hoop Lane, Golders Green (where no use is made of the Cemetery). The cost for a non-subscriber would be approximately £2000.
- 2) Your annual contribution to the scheme is via our Synagogue subscription and members are automatically enrolled unless they inform us of the other arrangements they may have made. Children under 21 are covered by their parent’s contributions.
- 3) The Synagogue uses the facilities provided by the Union of Liberal & Progressive Synagogues (ULPS) Scheme. Our “independence” makes no difference to these arrangements. Edgwarebury Lane Cemetery is jointly owned by the ULPS, RSGB and the Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue and is the cemetery for our use.
- 4) **Your subscription to this scheme does not cover other expenses such as Undertaking costs, Medical Certificates required for Cremation, deposit of Ashes, etc., nor the Crematorium surcharge for Sunday Funerals.**
- 5) In the event of a Cremation, the interment of the cremated remains can be arranged at the Edgwarebury Lane Cemetery, under a planted rose bush with a plaque (current cost £610+ £16 for the Urn). If a memorial stone is required, then there would be an additional Stonemason charge, as appropriate. **Any grave reservation charge is not covered and any other special arrangements may incur additional charges.**
- 6) An account will normally be submitted by the ULPS to the Synagogue Office where it will be checked, paid and subsequently recovered from the Estate or responsible person.
- 7) **Your subscription does not cover the cost of a funeral. However, by being a member of a recognised scheme, the Undertaker’s charges are at a reduced rate.**

- 8) Tombstone Fees. As is customary at all cemeteries, the ULPS levy a fee covering permission and arrangements for erecting a tombstone at the Edgwarebury Lane Cemetery. A schedule of fees is available at all stonemasons providing such services and is incorporated in the stonemason's charges to the client.
- 9) Membership of the scheme only exists while membership of the Synagogue is maintained and all rights cease when membership is relinquished, whatever the length of membership.

If you have any queries on the scheme, please contact the Synagogue Administrator who will be pleased to help you.

## **COMPULSORY BURIAL OR CREMATION SCHEME**

All members are covered by the above ULPS Scheme which secures the cost of a grave space (for those requiring burial) or weekday crematorium fees (for those requiring cremation and who make no use of the cemetery). It should be pointed out that this scheme does not include any Undertaker's charges. Children under 18 are covered by their parent's contributions.

The Union of Liberal and Progressive Synagogues (ULPS) require the following once-only non refundable surcharge which is payable on joining the Synagogue for new members over the age of 55.

Age	55 – 59	£155
	60 – 64	£175
	65 – 69	£225
	70 – 72	£370
	73 – 75	£445
	76 – 78	£535
	79 – 80	£610
	81+	£675

An allowance will be made to members who have commitments to similar schemes in congregations which are not affiliated to the Union of Liberal & Progressive Synagogues (ULPS) and will, therefore, not call upon the ULPS for services (provided that evidence of their membership of another cemetery is recorded).

For your information we would mention that the cemetery is situated at Edgwarebury Lane, Edgware. Cremations take place at the Golders Green Crematorium, Hoop Lane, London NW11.