

**Holy Trinity Church** 

Amblecote, Stourbridge, West Midlands



## **CHURCHYARD GUIDELINES**

In order to maintain the dignity of this churchyard, the last resting place for many people from the Parish of Amblecote, there are some very simple guidelines to follow, in accordance with the Rules issued by the Diocesan Chancellor, Charles Mynors, in March 2004, copies of which are available for inspection inside the church.

- This means that memorials may **only** be introduced into this churchyard, or further inscriptions added to a memorial, with the written **consent** of the Priest-in-Charge;
- Kerbing around the grave, and gravel on the grave are **not** considered to be memorials and therefore are not acceptable; this also applies to other objects and items. Only those memorials specified in the guidelines are permitted in this churchyard.
- **Artificial** flowers of any kind are not permitted. Dying or dead flowers will be removed;
- The Priest-in-Charge will sign forms for memorial stones on a cremated remains plot that are to be 18" by 18" in size.

If the Parochial Church Council of Holy Trinity deems it necessary to remove any of the non-acceptable items, every possible effort will be made to contact the relatives who maintain the grave in question. We understand the **sensitivity** surrounding this issue, but we will apply this as equally and fairly as possible.

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