

A Brief History

Kings Norton Cemetery was opened on 7 January 2005 by Councillor Len Gregory. It is sited on a former Roman settlement, one of very few known in the Birmingham area. Finds have revealed pottery made in the Severn Valley and the Malverns with smaller quantities from as far afield as the continent.

The site, which has more recently been farmland, has retained much of its ancient features including ancient hedgerows and ditches. Planned to be developed in phases, the initial phase extends to some six acres and has a high specification CCTV security system.

Grave Sections

Kings Norton Cemetery has graves available for adult and children interments on lawn header sections. There are also two cremation sections which are able to receive up to either two or four cremated remains interments. [Ashes Caskets](#) may be purchased from the cemetery office for the burial of cremated remains.

Children and Adult Muslim lawn header sections are also available

Section Markers



Section markers have been fixed to each burial section of the cemetery - making it much easier for visitors to find the section they are looking for. Once on the desired section all of our graves run in number order along the rows. The number etched on the side or back of the memorial headstone is the grave number.

By counting along the rows you will be able to locate the grave you require.

Woodland Natural Burials - Primrose Meadow

[Primrose Meadow](#) is an area of Kings Norton Cemetery designed for natural burials. Please click on the link for more information on our natural glade.

Grave Memorials

A wide variety of memorial designs are permissible within the cemetery, however the type of section in which a grave lies will determine the type of memorial which may be erected.

On a lawn section only a headstone-type memorial set in concrete is permissible. Kerbing fencing or chippings are not allowed, however the ground may be cultivated up to 18" (46cm) from the headstone.

On a Traditional section headstones and/or kerb set, which run the length of the grave, are permissible. Kerbing, fencing or chippings are not allowed. Horizontal tablets, of specified size only, are permitted on cremated

remains plots which accommodate up to two cremated remains interments. Lawn type memorials are permitted on cremated remains plots which accept up to four cremated remains interments.

A copy of the rules and regulations relating to the Cemetery can be obtained from the office.

Memorial Benches

There are a number of [Memorial benches](#) situated around the Cemetery purchased in memory of a loved one, however restrictions are in place and no further memorial benches can be purchased in this Cemetery.

As the space around Kings Norton Cemetery has prevented us from allowing further memorial benches - Birmingham City Council have placed several benches around the cemetery without an inscription. Small plaques can be leased to go along the back of these benches.

For further information on these *Bench Plaques* - please speak to a member of the cemetery office.

Temporary Memorials - (up to 24 months)

Perspex [Grave Markers](#) are offered with or without a ground fixing stake and can be fully personalised. These are available in either Gold or Silver.

Inscriptions can be complimented by the addition of motifs or photographs.

For further details and prices please speak to a member of the cemetery office.

Grave Tending

If you are unable to visit your grave or would like us to give your headstone a wash or plant seasonal flowers – various [grave tending](#) options are available including floral tributes and Christmas Wreaths.

Book of Remembrance

A [Book of Remembrance](#) is on display just outside of the office reception area. This provides a lasting record and a simple but dignified memorial. A page is provided for each day of the year. The book is housed in a protective cabinet and is opened each day at the page displaying the current date so that entries may be seen on each anniversary date for many years to come.

Entries may also be viewed online.

Facilities Available

The Cemetery office is situated on the left as you enter the main gate. A vending machine offers a wide selection of hot and cold drinks.

The public toilets, including disabled facilities, are located outside the office reception. There is a small car park by the office.

HOW TO FIND US

Travelling by Road:-

M42 (J3) onto the A435 Alcester Road (S) turn on to Middle Lane - 2nd exit off Middle Lane roundabout and join Bell Green Lane then straight onto Headley Heath Lane - straight onto Icknield Street. Carry on straight ahead to Primrose Hill. Kings Norton Cemetery is at the top of Primrose Hill where it meets Longsdale Road.

From Brandwood End Cemetery turn onto Woodthorpe Road. At island turn left onto Brandwood Road. Straight

over traffic lights (Monyhull Hall Road). At the next island go straight over onto Parson's Hill, which flows onto Wharf Road. At the next island take the 1st exit onto Masshouse Lane. This leads onto Primrose Hill.

From the City Centre take the Pershore Road (A441) to Stirchley. Turn left at the traffic lights and follow the road to the top of the hill. Turn left and then 2nd right (after the first set of lights). Follow this road until you come to a mini island - straight over this island brings you onto Brandwood Road. Then as above.

Travelling by Bus:-

No. 35 - this takes you from the City Centre to Shannon Road, Primrose Hill. It's then a five minute walk up Primrose Hill onto Longsdales Road to the Cemetery.

No. 49 - this bus will collect you from Northfield or Solihull dropping off at Shannon Road.

No. 45 - this bus runs from City Centre going from New Street - Primrose Hill, Shannon Road.

Travelling by Train:-

From Kings Norton and Cotteridge Stations take the No. 49 bus (heading towards Solihull), which will bring you to Shannon Road. The Cemetery is then only a 5 minute walk to the top of Primrose Hill.

To view a location map for Kings Norton Cemetery, please follow the link below.

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Month	Weekdays	Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays
January, December	08.30 - 16.00 hours	10.00 - 16.00 hours
February, March, April, October, November	08.30 - 16.00 hours	10.00 - 17.00 hours
May, June, July, August, September	08.30 - 16.30 hours	10.00 - 17.00 hours

Special times for opening and closing apply on Christmas Day and Boxing Day