## Leitrim County Council Burial Ground Policy 2024 - 2030

## **GUIDELINES**

These are the guidelines for Families, Memorial Contractors, Funeral Directors etc. with regard to the erection of Headstones and/or Surrounds in cemetery's owned/operated by Leitrim County Council and the maintenance and upkeep of Burial Plots

- Surrounds A nominal 100mm kerb should surround all Burial Plots
- Headstones The maximum height of any headstone/monument shall not exceed 1.5 metres above the level of the Kerb and in the case of a Celtic Cross, the height shall not exceed 2.5 metres
- Grave Sizes are to be kept within the specified markings as instructed by the Graveyard Caretaker
- No spaces are to be left between the kerbs of adjoining graves
- When erecting a new Headstone and/or Surround, please ensure that there is no encroachment onto or interference with adjoining graves
- No Trees can be planted on any grave space
- Only seating provided by Leitrim County Council will be permitted in any Cemetery
- Families of deceased are requested to keep their plot in a clean and tidy manner and to take home all waste from their grave after tidying graves
- All refuse, disused items, decayed flowers, decayed wreaths, Weeds and any other
  waste items must be removed from the Cemetery by the person/family
  responsible for each Burial Plot. Any such waste must NOT be disposed of within
  any part of the Cemetery
- The removal of broken or other monuments at any individual grave is the responsibility of the Burial Plot Owner
- When a new Headstone and/or Surround is being installed at a grave, any
  waste/refuse/broken concrete/broken monuments/excess soil etc. must be
  removed from the Cemetery by the Memorial Contractor and/or family
  responsible for the Burial Plot

Leitrim County Council thank you for your cooperation in this matter.