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**Subject:** Official Information Request for Burial Fees Ref: OIA 058/23  
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Dear [REDACTED]

We refer to your official information request dated 1 June 2023 for where you requested:

***The following information for current fees, and what the fees were in 2018 and 2013. (If these costs vary across cemeteries, please provide all).***

- ***Cost of a burial plot***
- ***Digging or interment fees***
- ***Any additional fees for burials on weekends, public holidays, and after hours***
- ***Cremation fees at a council crematorium***
- ***Any additional costs for cremation services on weekends and public holidays.***

The information you have requested is attached.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact the Buller District Council by return email to [lgoima@bdc.govt.nz](mailto:lgoima@bdc.govt.nz).

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request will be published shortly at <https://bullerdc.govt.nz/district-council/your-council/request-for-official-information/responses-to-lgoima-requests/> with your personal information removed.

Kind regards

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The following information for current fees, and what the fees were in 2018 and 2013. (If these costs vary across cemeteries, please provide all).

### 2013

#### Cost of a burial plot

Adult interment (opening fee) \$599.00

Child aged 12 years or over interment (opening fee) \$599.00

Child aged under 12 years interment in area specially provided (opening fee) \$154.00

Stillborn child (buried in area provided or in previously purchased existing plot) \$55.00

Extra Depth, over 1.8 m \$110.00

#### Digging or interment fees

Interment of Ashes \$110.00 / \$148.00 for two

Disinterment \$599.00

Re interment \$599.0

Interments taking place on Saturdays or on a Monday or day following a public holiday before 11.00am an additional fee of \$250.00

#### Any additional fees for burials on weekends, public holidays, and after hours

N/A

#### Cremation fees at a council crematorium

Any additional costs for cremation services on weekends and public holidays.

N/A

No cremation facilities in Westport

### 2018

#### Cost of a burial plot

Adult interment (opening fee) \$629.00

Child aged 12 years or over interment (opening fee) \$629.00

Child aged under 12 years interment in area specially provided (opening fee) \$162.00

Stillborn child (buried in area provided or in previously purchased existing plot) \$58.00

Extra Depth, over 1.8 m \$115.50

#### Digging or interment fees

Interments taking place on Saturdays or on a Monday or day following a public holiday before 11:00am an additional fee of \$262.50

Interment of Ashes \$115.50 for one / \$155.40 for two

Disinterment \$629.00

Re interment \$629.00

**Any additional fees for burials on weekends, public holidays, and after hours**

Excavation of a grave on a Saturday, Sunday or Public Holiday an additional fee of \$332.00

**Cremation fees at a council crematorium**

**Any additional costs for cremation services on weekends and public holidays.**

N/A

No cremation facilities in Westport

**2023**

**Plot fees**

Lawn plot including pre-purchase plot (includes perpetual maintenance) - **\$1136.00**

Eco plot including pre-purchase plot (includes perpetual maintenance) - **\$1136.00**

Special area plot ( provided for child under 12 years, including still born child) - **\$598.00**

Ashes plot on ashes berm including pre-purchase plot - **\$155.00**

Headstone or plaque permit on berm for lawn plot - **\$147.00**

Headstone or plaque permit on berm for ashes plot - **\$74.00**

**Interment fees**

Interment in lawn plot - \$692.00

Interment in lawn plot extra depth (total cost for two) - \$1156.00

Interment for eco-burial/natural burial – Westport Orowaiti Cemetery only - \$692.00

Interment for eco-burial/natural burial extra depth (total cost for two) – Westport Orowaiti Cemetery only - \$1156.00

Interment in special area plot (child aged under 12 years) - \$178.00

Interment in special area plot or in purchased Lawn Plot (Still born baby) - \$64.00

Interment of ashes for one - \$128.00

Interment of ashes for two - \$171.00 In case of double bereavement in one family, interment fee reduced by 33%

Disinterment - \$692.00 + any additional costs

Reinterment - \$692.00 + any additional costs

**Any additional fees for burials on weekends, public holidays, and after hours**

Interments taking place on weekend or public holiday incur an additional fee - \$289.00

Excavation of a grave on weekend or public holiday will incur an additional fee of - \$365.00

**Cremation fees at a council crematorium**

**Any additional fees for burials on weekends, public holidays, and after hours**

N/A

No cremation facilities in Westport

Fees and charges sourced from Long Term Plans from 2012-2022 and 2015-2025

<https://bullerdc.govt.nz/media/urlhb4y3/fees-charges.pdf> - 1July 2012 – 30 June 2013

<https://bullerdc.govt.nz/media/hkkffa3y/fees-charges.pdf> - 1 July 2015 – 30 June 2016

Current Fees:

<https://bullerdc.govt.nz/your-council/fees-and-charges/> - 1 July 2022 – 30 June 2023