

## Cemetery Locations

Council is responsible for the management and maintenance of the following cemeteries.

NO.	CEMETERY	LOCATION	ASHES
1	Arakoon	Lighthouse Road	✓
2	Arakoon Historical	Arakoon Road	✗
3	Bellbrook	Armidale Road	✗
4	Comara	Towal Creek Road	✗
5	Crescent Head	Loftus Road	✓
6	East Kempsey	Bloomfield and Naiooka Streets	✓
7	Euroka	Euroka Road	✗
8	Frederickton	Great North Road	✓
9	Kinki	Stuarts Point Road	✓
10	Toms Gully	Toms Gully Road	✗
11	West Kempsey	Tozer, River and Broughton Streets	✗



## Interment Right

An interment right is a contract with a cemetery operator (Council) that allows the right holder to undertake burials in a particular grave or other allotment in the cemetery. The holder of the interment right can determine who can be buried in the grave or other allotment. An interment right is an 'interest' in land but the right holder does not become the owner of the land.

Interment rights apply to burials in the earth and to burials in mausoleums, crypts and vaults. They also apply to burials of cremated remains in the earth, columbarium or niche wall.

## Fees and Charges

For current fees and charges, please contact Council Customer Services on 02 6566 3200.

## Further Information

Feel free to contact Council direct with your cemetery and memorial enquiries at:

**Council Customer Services**  
 22 Tozer Street, West Kempsey NSW 2440  
 P. 02 6566 3200 F. 02 6566 3225  
 E. [ksc@kempsey.nsw.gov.au](mailto:ksc@kempsey.nsw.gov.au)  
[www.kempsey.nsw.gov.au/cemeteries](http://www.kempsey.nsw.gov.au/cemeteries)

 [kempsey.nsw.gov.au](http://kempsey.nsw.gov.au)

 [KempseyShireCouncil](https://www.facebook.com/KempseyShireCouncil)

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## Cemetery and Memorial Information

Council manages 11 cemeteries across the Kempsey Shire and has a range of options available for burial and interment of ashes for those wanting to memorialise a loved one or prepare for their own future.

This brochure covers important information about these options as well as regulations introduced to ensure the conditions of our cemeteries remain safe and orderly for visiting members of the community.



## Memorial Options

A memorial provides an enduring memory of someone who is no longer with us. It serves as a focal point for families and friends to reflect on the life of their loved one and ensures future generations have a place to visit and remember those who have come before them. The below options are available.

### Reservations

Deciding on a site is as simple as visiting the Cemetery you wish to reserve your allotment in. Once your preferred site has been selected, contact Council's Customer Service Centre to confirm availability as well as any conditions and restrictions that may be relevant to the allotment.

### Burials

Various denominational sections as well as general and lawn sections are available within our Cemeteries for burials or interment of ashes into a burial site.

Council has no involvement in Funeral Arrangements. A Funeral Director should be contacted who will assist you with all the necessary arrangements including any Council permits that are required.

### Placement of Ashes

There are options for the placement of ashes including Columbarium Walls and Memorial Gardens which allow one (1) set of ashes to be interred in each space. The Ashes positions in the lawn sections of cemeteries allow up to three (3) ash interments per position. Placement of ashes is to be undertaken by a funeral director who will assist you with all the necessary arrangements including any permits that are required through Council.

## Regulations

Cemeteries are special places in our community. To enable Council to maintain our cemeteries to a high standard and ensure sites remain safe, clean and tidy for all, certain regulations must be abided by. Council seeks your help to ensure these regulations are upheld.

### Flowers

Flowers must be placed in the containers that form part of the monument. Flowers placed outside of the designated area will be removed.

Planting of flowers, shrubs or trees within the cemetery grounds is prohibited. Council ask that you do not pick the existing flowers or plants located within the cemetery grounds.

### Prohibited Items

In/on or around any gravesite:

- Glass/containers, vases or jars inside the cemetery boundary
- Plants, trees, shrubs and potted plants
- Flags, clothing and decorations on spikes

On the lawn surface:

- Gravesite markers of any kind – including rocks, pebbles, pavers, fencing, timber edging or bricks – outlining a gravesite.
- Ornaments, solar powered lights, flowers, grave filling such as bark chips, stones or gravel.
- All items including flowers can only be placed on the grave beams where the headstone sits.
- Any items including ornamental flowers may be removed to assist with worker safety to maintain or access other areas of the site for further burials.

## Council reserves the right to remove without notice

Council conducts regular checks of cemetery grounds to clear deteriorated flowers and prohibited items. These include:

- Any unauthorised works.
- Unapproved, excessive tributes or incorrectly located flower containers.
- Any items encroaching onto the lawn.
- Aged flowers and wreaths.

## Respect your neighbour

It is important to respect your neighbour and ensure that your tributes do not encroach upon the neighbouring allotment. This can cause unnecessary distress to other families.

## Headstones and Monumental Works

Council will not be liable for the future care, maintenance, preservation, conservation or restoration of the construction (headstone and surrounds) erected or placed over the grave.

Where a grave is to be re-opened for a second interment any monumental work that must be removed to allow that interment is to be arranged by the funeral director on behalf of the family or person arranging the funeral. Council under no circumstances is responsible for the removal of monumental work.

**Council has the right to change these regulations as required and without notice.**