



# The Burial Cremation & Funeral Expenses Scheme

1 April 2024

## **Scheme rules**

The current rules can be found on our website at [www.arksynagogue.org/funeralscheme](http://www.arksynagogue.org/funeralscheme)

A printed copy can be requested from the Synagogue office.

## **Surcharges**

The Scheme only pays for the cost of a standard funeral for a burial or a cremation. Any additional charges incurred will be invoiced to the member's family or estate. The table overleaf shows the current and most common surcharges and is published on our website. A printed copy can also be requested via the Synagogue Office. An updated notice will be published in Davar annually. The website is the official means of notification.

Other surcharges may be incurred. The Funeral Director will always inform families about any surcharges.

## **Woodland burial**

Woodland burial is available at GreenAcres Chiltern and Cheshunt Cemetery. There is a surcharge as noted in the table overleaf.

## **GreenAcres Chiltern**

LJ has published a set of questions and answers about this new cemetery. You can see them on LJ's website via our link: [www.arksynagogue.org/lj-greenacres](http://www.arksynagogue.org/lj-greenacres)

## **Cremations**

The Ark Synagogue conducts cremation services at Hoop Lane Crematorium, Golders Green, and at GreenAcres Chiltern, Beaconsfield. There are surcharges for cremations held on a Sunday or a bank holiday as shown in the table overleaf.

## **Kings Funeral Directors**

When a synagogue member who is included in the Burial Cremation & Funeral Expenses Scheme has passed away, the funeral director who must be instructed is Ronnie King of Kings Funeral Directors. Ronnie can be contacted 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, including Bank Holidays and Jewish Festivals on 020 8368 7453 or 07595 956 936. Any charges incurred for the services of another funeral director will not be paid for by the Scheme.

## **Stone-settings and Memorials**

The Ark Scheme does not cover any of the costs associated with ordering and erecting a headstone or a memorial on a grave. Enquiries about headstones at Edgwarebury and Cheshunt cemeteries, memorials at GreenAcres, and all consecration services should be directed to Tanya Garfield at Liberal Judaism, or to one of our Rabbis.

**Questions** If members have any questions about the Scheme, would like to check their Scheme entitlements, or would like to notify or update the synagogue about their preference for burial or cremation, they should contact our Burial Officer Phil Stone on 01923 537 226 or [funeralscheme@arksynagogue.org](mailto:funeralscheme@arksynagogue.org).

<b>SERVICE</b>	<b>CHARGES FROM APRIL 2024</b>
<b>Funeral Director surcharges</b>	
mileage over 40 miles from Kings, London N11	£2.00 per mile
overtime charge	from £250
Sunday supplement	£75
home visit to collect documents	£80
collection by a funeral director other than Kings Funeral Directors	from £300
<b>Woodland burial double-depth plot at Cheshunt Cemetery</b>	
payable on first death of a couple, or in advance of first death	£2,550
<b>Woodland burial double-depth plot at GreenAcres Chiltern</b>	
Woodland supplement – payable on first death of a couple	£2,290
Woodland supplement – payable in advance of first death	£2,390
Service hall hire	£540
Interment (first / second burial in a plot)	£795 / £398
Sunday or bank holiday surcharge (service hall hire & interment)	£1,145
Live streaming	£54
<b>Cremation at Golders Green Crematorium</b>	
Sunday	£500
Live streaming	£45-£60
<b>Cremation at GreenAcres Chiltern</b>	
Sunday or bank holiday	£895
Live streaming	£54
<b>Shiva prayers at the Synagogue</b>	
Hall hire for the Shiva	No charge
Live streaming	£50
Hall hire for refreshments	£150