Pembrokeshire Natural Burial Meadow







Peaceful countryside

With the Preseli Mountains in the distance and views of the Plumstone Rock and Wolfscastle Rock across beautiful Welsh countryside, Pembrokeshire natural burial ground offers a peaceful place for a gentler and more natural way to 'hang up your boots'. The burial ground is located next to the village of Keeston, a five-minute drive to Haverfordwest and Newgale. Just a few miles to the spectacular Pembrokeshire coast.

At the burial ground, you have the freedom and time to create something special while enjoying the beautiful Pembrokeshire countryside many have grown to love. The land is sympathetically farmed to preserve the native wildlife and wildflowers. We're working to re-establish habitats such as the wild hedgerow, woodland and wetland, allowing the land not only to offer natural burial in beautiful, peaceful countryside, but also a nature-rich environment.

How it works

A natural burial is the most ecological funeral option, a thoughtful legacy for future generations. At Pembrokeshire Natural Burial Meadow, you can purchase rights for burial or ashes interment...

In advance

- Visit the burial meadow and spend time there getting to know it and deciding whether it's right for you.
- Complete an online application or download a pre-purchase form from our website, or phone us and we'll send you an information pack.
- Pre-purchase at today's rate. Options available to pay by standing order.

Practicalities

We recommend stout footwear as the ground is uneven. A foldable chair is a good idea for those who find it difficult to stand and remember, there's no such thing as bad weather, just the wrong sort of clothes.

There is a wealth of information about natural burial on our website www.pembrokeshirenaturalburials.co.uk, or we are here in to answer your questions, so call us on - 01437 623128.

When planning a funeral

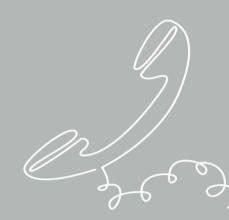
- Complete our online application form or download an interment form to let us know your plans for the day so that we can help you achieve your wishes.
- Make the arrangements yourself or ask your funeral director to do this for you.
- Book the date and time with us. Burials may take place 10am-3pm and at weekends by special arrangement.

Our custodian



Sarah Wickham

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Sarah is the landowner and Custodian at Pembrokeshire. She looks after the natural burial ground with a helping hand from her young son Jesse who is actively involved in and inquisitive about everything to do with the burial ground. In fact, it is his bug hotel that you may come across on the permissive walk at the meadow.

On the day of a funeral, Sarah will be there to welcome and look after you.

Please contact Sarah if you would like to arrange a guided visit or would just like to learn more about having a natural burial at Pembrokeshire. If you prefer to explore the burial meadow independently, please feel free to visit and have a wander around.

Make the day your own

The meadow gives you the freedom to be yourselves. Whether you are planning a simple burial with only a few in attendance or a larger funeral event we will offer inspiration, support and guidance, so you can organise the day exactly as you'd like it.

"A sad occasion became full of love and friendship"



More time and space

The open surroundings of the meadow gives you freedom to organise the day the way that you want it to be and space to tell stories, read poems, recount memories and raise a glass in informal surroundings. A place to be yourselves, by yourselves...



Flowers

Consider using flowers from your own garden or a friend's, or produce from the veg patch, to create a hand-tied bouquet. Ask florists to use these or locally grown flowers. No plastic, oasis foam or wire please. Think about scattering petals from a basket or single stems into the grave.

Pets

Dogs are welcome at the burial ground and offer companionship and comfort at a funeral.

We are able to offer natural burials for pets within a dedicated pets area of the burial ground. Alternatively, a pet's ashes may be included in its owner's grave at the time of interment.



Memorials

Slate memorial plaques are housed in the oak memorial frame, located within the meadow.

Rights to display a plaque are granted for a period of 25 years after which they can be renewed.

We also have a limited number of places where trees can be planted or dedicated in memory within the meadow.

David Mallacw c 1962 - 2018Patricia Ellen W 932 - 2018Edward George Str 1935 - 2018 Dr Colin William 945 - 2018 June Goodwil 1936 - 2017Robert Lloyd Jen 961 - 2017 Alan Spencer B 1956 - 2014Tony Gamesto 1928 - 2015

Burial ground map

The **Meadow** is home to the wildflowers and tall grasses that grow in the summer. It has views of the Preseli mountains, the Plumbstone and Wolfscastle Rocks.

In the **Spinney** each plot includes a native tree. After a burial, we plant the tree in the dormant season. Families can join us for the occasion or we can plant a tree on their behalf.

Spinney Glade

The **Glade** is bordered by a bank of beautiful wildflowers and will become sheltered by the maturing Spinney.

Finding the spot

Graves are carefully mapped and their exact GPS locations and What3Words addresses are recorded and shared with you so that you'll know where to visit.

If you struggle with any of these, don't worry - call us, we'll help.





Pembrokeshire Natural Burial Meadow Bridge Lane, Keeston, Haverfordwest, SA62 6EE (not for correspondence)

What3Words.com///tells.overdrive.normal Google plus code RXM4+43 Haverfordwest You can find us just off the A487 between Haverfordwest and St Davids.

Contact us for a guided walk around the meadow or for any further information.

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Pre-purchase form - Valid from 1 April 2025 - 31 March 2026

1. The applicant (the person who will be responsible for payment)

Your name	
Your address	
Your email address	
Your telephone number(s)	

2. For whom is the right of burial being purchased?

Their full name (¤ as above)			
Their address (□ as above)			
Their date of birth		Relationship You are their	
Selected area	(not applicable)	🗌 Ashes	🗌 Burial

3. OPTIONAL - Purchase an adjacent right of burial

Their full name		
Their address (¤ as above)		
Their date of birth	□ Ashes	🗌 Burial

4. Applicant's signature and declaration

The information given on this form is accurate. I am the person to whom all correspondence should be sent and am responsible for paying the amounts shown in the table below and agree to be bound by Leedam's Terms and Conditions (www.leedam.co.uk/burial-contract) and the Burial Ground Regulations (www.leedam.com/rules-and-regulations/) which apply.

Signature				
Full name				
How did you hear about the burial ground?				

Continued overleaf...



5. Payment options

Item	Price	£	
Ashes Plot - Glade	£400		
Ashes Plot - Meadow	£555		
Ashes Plot - Spinney	£820		
Burial Plot - Glade	£800		
Burial Plot - Meadow	£1,105		
Burial Plot - Spinney (with a tree)	£1,645		
Optional			
Reserve the Adjacent Burial Plot	Please insert price:		
Standing Order Admin Fee*	£80		
Payable to Leedam Natural Heritage, Account No: 06006136, Sort Code: 80-02-38			

*Please add the Standing Order Admin Fee if you wish to spread payments over 10 or 20 months and make arrangements with your bank to pay monthly instalments to Leedam Natural Heritage a/c 06006136, s/c 80-02-38, quoting ref: Pemb+Yourname.

If you would like to express the wish for a memorial plaque to be placed in your memory, please check this box \Box (This will be payable at the time of need - it cannot be purchased in advance).

Please note - At the time of the full burial or ashes burial there will be two additional charges: (i) the Registration Fee, and (ii) the gravedigger's charges.

We will send you a certificate (or certificates if you are also reserving the adjacent plot) confirming your reserved right(s) of burial and a receipt for your payment.

6. Updates and how we use your personal data

We would like to be able to contact you about future matters concerning the burial ground and any new options that might become available. If you agree to being contacted this way please tick the relevant boxes: \Box Email \Box Post \Box Phone (you can opt out at any time).

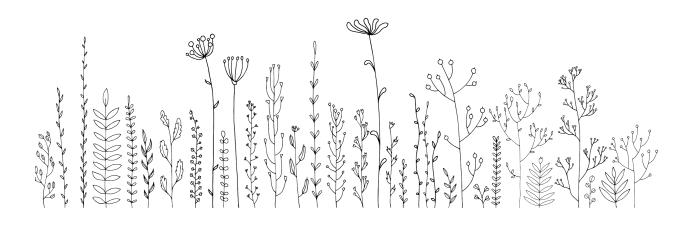
Personal data you supply will be used to confirm the purchase and to register rights sold at the burial ground. We share details of the event and the people involved with the custodian to prepare them for your arrival. We may also use it for statistical analysis. We will not share your data with other organisations. View our privacy policy for further information (www.leedam.co.uk/privacy-policy). We are obliged to keep a register of all burials and interments, recording the date of burial, names in full, age, address and grave number. By law, this data must be accessible to the public.

7. How did you find out about us?

Please let us know how you found out about the Natural Burial Ground...



For when I die...





Message

TIP - Write a message here to the person who reads this document

My full name

My home address

My date of birth

The key person/people to contact in case of my death

They are my... (son, daughter, executor etc)

Their contact details are...

I have made a will, it is kept here ¹

TIP - if you haven't, you probably should get a solicitor-written will, a service which is often offered in return for a charitable donation

¹ Edit or delete as necessary



I have a pre-paid funeral plan²

TIP - Don't feel pressured into taking out a pre-paid funeral plan, it can be just as good to keep your money in a savings account, because of the fees charged by the plan provider and commissions paid out to the person who arranged it.

Plan details -

I have set aside money to pay for my funeral

Bank:

Account No:

Sort code:

Telephone tree – who to call

I attach a list of people to call and have highlighted those who should be asked to let others know.

Newspaper? Online announcement

No | Yes * (say where) | No Preference

I have decided to be

Buried | Cremated *

Name of natural burial ground, cemetery or crematorium

² Edit or delete as necessary



Have I reserved a plot?

No | Yes* - the papers relating to this are attached

Location:

No, I would like my ashes to be scattered. (TIP - this requires the landowner's consent and is not great for the environment or ecologically sound)

Funeral director

[] None if possible (using a FD is not a legal requirement in the UK)

First choice

Second choice

Preferred coffin / shroud

(TIP - locally made from biodegradable materials such as wicker, wood, wool, or recycled fabrics like cotton sheets)

Before the funeral

Embalming - An unnatural, invasive and toxic process, also called hygienic treatment by some FDs. If you are having a natural burial you should ask not to be embalmed - the poisonous chemicals will kill soil microbes and leech into groundwater)

I do | I do not * wish to be embalmed

Where to rest

before the funeral for some or all of the period



I would like to be buried with / next to

(TIP - You can reserve an adjacent plot in most cases. Also, extra cremated remains can be included as part of a burial, even your pet's ashes can go in with you.)

Viewing

(TIP - for some this is important, but don't delay viewing)
I am happy for my body to be viewed: No | Yes * | No Preference
Instructions for laying out
My family may/may not* help lay me out if they wish

Hair

Clothes, glasses etc.

(TIPS - it's a struggle to dress a dead body which you might prefer to avoid. For natural burial, choose natural, biodegradable fabrics like cotton, silk, wool, leather etc.)

Make-up



The funeral

Think about what's important when organising your funeral...

Funeral Service

Who to invite

Type of service

(Tip: Services at crematoriums, natural burial grounds, and cemeteries can be religious and non-religious or of mixed religion. You can also choose to have no service at all.)

Dress code

Arrival perhaps you would like to arrive on a hay-trailer behind a vintage tractor...

Venue (Tip: You can have a funeral service anywhere - at your local pub, hotel, your home, or even outdoors with a simple committal beforehand, and maybe a wake there too after the funeral.)

Celebrant / Minister

Words... provide some help with an outline of your life, special events (we have collected some here http://www.leedam.com/words-and-music.html).

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Order of ceremony sheet

Folded A4 card with a paper insert sheet? (TIP: why not include a seed card, pack of seeds or acorn to take away to plant?)

Photograph

Readings

Music

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Video

Flowers (TIP - instead of florist's flowers, gather flowers from the garden or specimens from the veg patch. Alternatively suggest a favourite item like a hat, flag, fishing gear, model boat, remote-controlled car etc. to be placed on the coffin)

Photos

Photography/video recording

Special things - like a hat, emblem, craftwork, baking, scent, tipple, crossword...

Collection – which charity?

Special instructions

Vehicles (hearse, limo, own cars etc)

 $Bearers\,$ (list if there are any people you would like to be asked to bear the coffin)



Gathering after funeral service

Place

Instructions

Newspaper report

Memorial

Type of memorial (if any is permitted)

Inscription

Anniversaries

Tree Planting

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FINANCIAL MATTERS

I attach a list of my bank accounts, building society accounts, savings bonds, insurance plans, pension plans, shares and investments etc

BUSINESS MATTERS

I attach a list of my Business partners, Solicitor, Accountant, Landlord(s), Tenant(s) etc