Maintenance of Churchyards
1. The Parochial Church Council shall be responsible to the Representative Body for the proper care, maintenance and upkeep of all churchyards in the parish including the walls, gates, fences, paths, grass and trees and for the repair of any damage thereto howeversoever, and shall effect suitable and adequate insurance cover with the designated insurers of the Church in Wales.
2. Within the terms of these Regulations the conservation of churchyards in all respects shall be a concern and duty of Parochial Church Councils.

The Archdeacon shall send or cause to be sent to the Representative Body, when so required by the Representative Body, a report on any churchyard in his archdeaconry, specifying the condition thereof and stating whether any land or any portion thereof is in disuse.

Fees and Churchyard Maintenance Fund
3. From the fees payable under the Rules (other than those fees due to the Incumbent under regulation 5 hereof), the Parochial Church Council, or in the case of a cathedral which is not a parish church the Dean and Chapter, shall establish a Churchyard Maintenance Fund, which Fund shall be applied in accordance with these Regulations. Hereof, the Council shall render an account to the Representative Body of all receipts and payments.

With regard to the fees payable under the Second Schedule to the Rules:
(a) all fees received for services rendered by the Incumbent and for registration of burial shall be paid to the Incumbent, unless the Incumbent is also a dean of a cathedral or an archdeacon, when the said fees shall be paid in the case of a cathedral which is not a parish church to the Dean and Chapter but otherwise to the Parochial Church Council;
(b) all fees received for burial in a grave or vault shall be paid into the Churchyard Maintenance Fund; and
(c) the fees payable for the right to erect monuments and gravestones, including those relating to cremated remains, shall be paid into the Churchyard Maintenance Fund and to the Incumbent in such proportions as the Representative Body or the appropriate committee thereof shall from time to time decide.

Graves
6. Subject to regulation 1 hereof, the Incumbent shall be responsible for the general supervision of all churchyards in the parish for the allocation of grave spaces and for the maintenance of records which, as far as reasonably practicable, allow clear identification of the location of the same.

No grave or vault shall be made or opened without the consent of the Incumbent. The cost and expense incurred in making or opening any grave or vault shall be borne by the person at whose request the work is done. No permanent or exclusive right of burial in a grave or vault shall be acquired except by Faculty.

The top of a coffin buried in a grave shall be not less than 3’ (914mm) below ordinary ground level.

The cost of any grave or vault shall be paid by the person seeking burial or cremation.

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Maintenance of Churchyards
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FEES IN RESPECT OF BURIALS
For services rendered by the Incumbent or other Minister or person officiating at an interment including the registration of burial...

- For Churchyard Maintenance Fund in respect of burial in grave or vault... £450.00
- No fee shall be payable in respect of the burial of a still-born infant or child under 18, or in connection therewith, for the services rendered by the Incumbent or other Minister officiating at an interment or, in connection therewith, for registration of burial.
- For digging of a grave and, if necessary, for walling: the actual and reasonable cost thereof shall be payable provided that if no separate fee is payable to the person who does the work, such fee shall be payable as in the opinion of the Incumbent is reasonable having regard to local costs of labour.

For the services of a superintendent of cremated remains follows a funeral service by a minister or officiating person to the funeral service, a fee shall be charged as a ministry fee for the committal and registration of burial...

TABLE OF FEES
Fees for the right to erect monuments and gravestones

Plain wooden cross... £38.00
- Headstone or horizontal gravestone... £170.00
- Simple flat slab set below ordinary ground level not exceeding
  12” (305mm) high by 12” (305mm) wide... £38.00
  or
  ledger stone not more than 18” (457mm) high by 12” (305mm) wide by 4” (102mm) high at the head commemorating a person cremated... £30.00
- Additional inscription on any monument... £40.00

NOTES
(1) Only parishioners (i.e. persons normally residing in the parish), persons dying in the parish, ex-parishioners and non-parishioners for whom family graves or vaults are desired to be opened and whose close relatives have been buried in the churchyard, and persons on the electoral roll at the date of death are entitled, as of right, to be buried in the parish burial ground.
(2) Except so far as rights are preserved by the aforesaid Act, no discrimination shall be made between the burial of a member of the Church in Wales and of other persons.

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