### A Brief History

The 7 acre Sutton Coldfield Cemetery was opened in 1881 as an additional burial ground for Holy Trinity Church. As the land was buried upon a further 10 acres of burial land was provided in 1934 when an area next to the original cemetery was opened.

Responsibility for the cemetery was later transferred to Sutton Coldfield Borough Council and then to Birmingham City Council in 1974 on Local Government reorganisation.

The cemetery has narrow tree lined avenues in the old part and is not suitable for vehicles.

This cemetery has no land for new graves and administration is carried out from Sutton New Hall Cemetery.

#### **Grave Sections**

Public children's graves are available in the older parts of the cemetery and private children's graves are available in the newer portion.

### **Grave Memorials**

A wide variety of memorial designs are present within the cemetery, ranging from towering statues to simple tablets for cremated remains plots. The type of section in which a grave lies determines the type of memorial permissible. On a traditional section a headstone, and/or kerb running the length of the grave is permissible. No fencing is allowed.

On a lawn section a headstone and base is permissible. Kerbing, fencing or chippings are not permitted, although the ground may be cultivated up to 18" (46cm) from the headstone. Traditional sections in the older part of the cemetery and lawn sections are in the newer parts of the cemetery.

A copy of the Rules and Regulations relating to the cemetery can be obtained from the office.

## Memorial Wall Plaques

Memorial wall plaques are available for lease and are affixed to the purpose built memorial wall on the public baby section which encompasses a memorial donated by a local mason in memory of all the children buried within the section. No other type of memorial is permitted on this section.

## **Memorial Benches**

Memorial benches may be purchased in memory of a loved one. They may be placed in a chosen spot within the cemetery in consultation with a member of the office staff.

# Temporary Memorials (up to 24 months)

Perspex Grave Markers are offered with or without a wooden ground fixing stake and can be fully personalised. These are available in either Gold or Silver.

Inscriptions can be complimented by the addition of motifs or photographs.

For further details and prices please speak to a member of the cemetery office.

## HOW TO FIND US

## Travelling by Road:-

From Birmingham take A38 to Bassetts Pole Island. Turn left onto A453 Tamworth Road, then left at the traffic lights onto Whitehouse Common Road. Turn right at traffic lights onto Rectory Road and the cemetery is next to Good Hope Hospital on the right.

From Sutton Coldfield take A5127, turning right into Trinity Hill, then left into Rectory Road. The cemetery is on the left hand side just before Good Hope Hospital.

# Travelling by Bus:-

From Birmingham take the No. 114 and Arriva No. 110, which travel along Rectory Road.

## Travelling by Train:-

From Sutton Coldfield Station it is approximately a 4 minute walk to Lower Parade to catch the No. 114 bus.

To view a location map for Sutton Coldfield Cemetery, please follow the link at the foot of the page.

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The Cemetery will be open to visitors: -

Month	Weekdays	Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays
January, December.	08.30-16.00 hours	10.00-16.00 hours
February, March, April, October, November.	08.30-16.00 hours	10.00-17.00 hours
May, June, July, August, September.	08.30-16.30 hours	10.00-17.00 hours

Special times for opening and closing apply on Christmas Day and Boxing Day.