a natural undertaking
funerals celebrating life

SERVICES AND PRICES FROM JULY 2026

We've always been transparent about our services and how we charge for them as understanding the cost of a funeral can be quite confusing. Some of the costs will be for the work we do, but often the funeral bill will include costs we pay on your behalf to other suppliers (third party costs).

Many of these costs can be managed and influenced by the decisions you make, or the tasks you take on yourself. We will provide you with as much information as we can to make sure those choices are the right ones.

A NATURAL UNDERTAKING FUNERAL (fully flexible)

Starting with a conversation and a blank sheet of paper, we find out what's important to you and help you craft a funeral according to your needs. The venue, the coffin, the hearse, the flowers and the officiant - all these choices are yours.

A SIMPLE AND NATURAL FUNERAL

We've put a lot of thought into how to offer a choice which includes greener elements and everything you need to carry out a personal and lower cost funeral at a single location. You choose the time, date and venue.

A LOCAL DIRECT CREMATION OR BURIAL (unattended)

A cremation or burial where no family or friends attend the cemetery or crematorium. This is not a funeral. Unlike some other providers, we can offer a local and personal service with additional options to make this as personal as possible.

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE

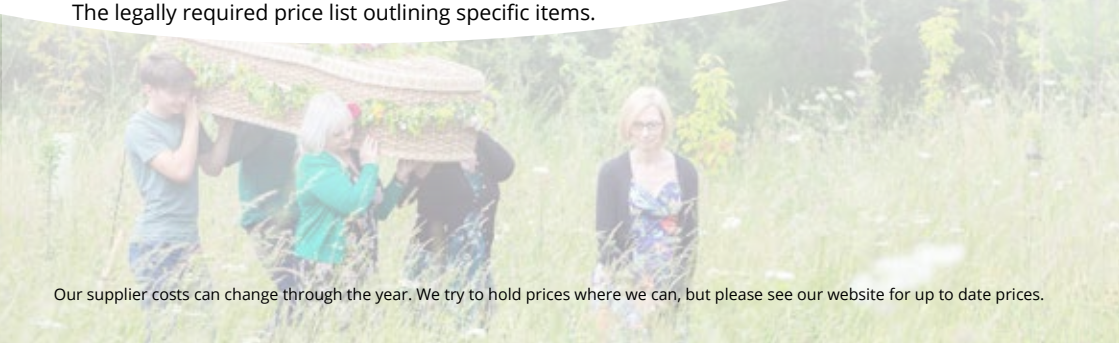
We have over ten years of experience in creating and supporting families to create celebration of life ceremonies and memorials. This is something we can help with when a Direct Cremation has been chosen by the person who has died.

FUNERAL PLANNING & OTHER SERVICES

We realise that for many people it can be useful to talk about and plan your own funeral. We can support you with a free 60 minute funeral planning session. Please ask for more information. We don't sell funeral plans but believe funeral planning is important for most people. Examples of other services we provide are also in this leaflet.

STANDARDISED PRICE LIST

The legally required price list outlining specific items.



Our supplier costs can change through the year. We try to hold prices where we can, but please see our website for up to date prices.

A NATURAL UNDERTAKING FUNERAL £1,835

(fully flexible) Cremation, Natural Burial or Burial

This is the service we have become known for over the past ten years - a really personal funeral, built from the ground up by you with our support. We start with a conversation with friends and family to find out all about the person who has died. Then we work with you to create a funeral that works for them and most importantly for you.

A Natural Undertaking funeral works for everyone - we can work with you on how best to use your budget, to support your involvement at all stages and to put you in touch with brilliant and inspiring local suppliers. A Natural Undertaking funeral is a partnership between us and you.

It Includes:

- Meeting with you in person, or via telephone or video conferencing such as Zoom, to discuss all of your options and how we can work to support you
- Drawing up of a written funeral arrangement plan which we have agreed with you, with clear and transparent pricing
- Collection of the person who has died within a 15 mile radius of our premises. Additional miles are charged at £1.75 a mile
- Care of the person who has died at our Kings Heath or Hall Green premises, until the day of the funeral. For periods of extended care over 28 days a charge of £10/day may apply.
- Washing and dressing of the person who has died
- Help with all of the legal and administrative arrangements for the funeral
- Our inspiring recommendations on suitable locations and suppliers
- A unique webpage with funeral details for you to share with friends & family, including a funeral RSVP service if required
- Our care and attention throughout the process, including unlimited phone calls or meetings
- Collection and delivery of ashes within a 15 mile radius
- Two members of our team to support you on the day of the funeral at a single location
- Access to SAIF Care bereavement support

It Doesn't Include:

Your personal choices - coffin, hearse, officiant and venue choices are up to you.
See the Your Personal Choices page for some examples.

Cremation or Burial Fees

Costs vary depending on whether you choose cremation, burial or natural burial.
These fees also vary depending on the locations you choose.

In this area, the cost of a cremation (single slot) for local residents ranges between: £585- £1,225
In this area, the cost of a burial / interment for local residents ranges between: £540-£1,501

For a new grave, you will also need to pay for the plot
For an existing grave with a memorial in place, you may need to pay a removal / replacement fee. In addition, the cemetery may charge a number of other fees.

YOUR PERSONAL CHOICES

The list below contains a taster of what we provide. More options and inspiriational ideas are on our website.

Caring for the person who has died

Spending time with the person at Kings Heath or Hall Green (unlimited visits) £110
Bringing the person home, or into church the day before the funeral £300

Coffins

Coffin choices may not always be available. If you have seen a coffin elsewhere that you like, let us know and we can try to obtain it. Special requests or outsize coffins may cost a little more.

Natural Jute £295
Plain cardboard: brown / white ..... £420 / £460
Oak veneer with wooden fittings and nameplate £420
Oak veneer with plastic (gold / silver) fittings and nameplate *..... £450
Simple willow (traditional or round ended) £550
White cane, banana leaf, seagrass or bamboo £675
Printed cardboard: catalogue or bespoke design £695
Bamboo teardrop £680
Wild Heart handwoven English willow .....from £895
English willow (traditional or round ended) bespoke colours £950
Solid pine £750
Traditional solid wood ..... from £850

No Coffin

Bamboo shroud (cotton-like fabric) £375

Transport

White electric Nissan Leaf hearse (large or small) £250
Black hearse £295
Black limousine £295
Silver hearse £400
White or silver limousine £350
Vintage Birmingham hearses - Mini Traveller, Morris Minor or Austin van hearse £675
VW hearse - white or silver £725
Horse-drawn hearse (white or black) ..... from £875
Motorcycle hearse ..... from £1,025

The Funeral

Additional charge for ceremony and committal in separate locations or separate days £300
Minister or priest ..... from £234
Celebrant / Humanist .....from £250
Additional coffin bearer or member of staff on the day £50
Flowers, catering, venue hire, musicians ..... as required

*** Includes a £30 donation to a local community garden project**
Please see our separate pricelists for ashes containers or design and print services

A SIMPLE AND NATURAL FUNERAL £2,375

Cremation, Natural Burial or Burial

We've created the Simple and Natural Funeral to include everything you need to carry out a funeral in one location at a time and date that you choose.

This funeral choice will be at a lower cost both to you and to the environment. It is unique locally in that we have chosen most elements of the funeral to minimise its environmental impact, yet still enable a range of personal touches to help you say goodbye.

It Includes:

- Meeting with you in person, or via telephone or video conferencing such as Zoom, to discuss all of your options and how we can work to support you
- Drawing up of a written funeral arrangement plan which we have agreed with you, with clear and transparent pricing
- Collection of the person who has died within a 15 mile radius of our premises. Additional miles are charged at £1.75 a mile
- Care of the person who has died at our Kings Heath or Hall Green premises, until the day of the funeral. For periods of extended care over 28 days a charge of £10/day may apply.
- Washing and dressing of the person who has died
- A brown cardboard coffin, oak veneer coffin with wooden handles or a natural jute coffin (There is a £40 supplement if you would like white or green cardboard or a shroud)
- An eco-friendly white electric hearse
- Help with all of the legal and administrative arrangements for the funeral
- Our inspiring recommendations on suitable locations and suppliers
- A unique webpage with funeral details for you to share with friends & family, including a funeral RSVP service if required
- Our care and attention throughout the process, including unlimited phone calls or meetings
- Collection and delivery of ashes within a 15 mile radius
- Two members of our team to support you on the day of the funeral at a single location
- Access to SAIF Care bereavement support

It Doesn't Include:

Cremation or burial fees, officiant or other personal choices eg flowers, orders of service etc

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A LOCAL DIRECT CREMATION £1,595

This is our unattended cremation service, without a funeral. The costs are lower as we choose the date, time and location of the cremation - and family and friends do not attend.

Unlike some direct cremation providers we will let you know these details if you'd like us to. We can also arrange for the person who has died to be washed and dressed before the cremation and you can visit them at our Kings Heath or Hall Green premises. There are additional charges for these services listed below.

It Includes:

- Meeting with you in person, or via telephone or video conferencing such as Zoom, to discuss all of your options and how we can work to support you
- Collection of the person who has died within a 15 mile radius of our premises during working hours (Monday - Friday 8.30-5pm). Additional miles are charged at £1.75 a mile
- Care of the person who has died, at our Kings Heath or Hall Green premises, until the day of the funeral
- A simple eco-friendly standard sized cardboard coffin
- An eco-friendly white electric hearse
- Cremation fees
- Help with all of the legal and administrative arrangements for the funeral
- Collection and delivery of ashes within a 15 mile radius
- Access to SAIF Care bereavement support

Out Of Hours Collection Fee £240

If you need us to collect the person who has died outside of working hours (Monday-Friday 8.30am- 5pm) we will charge £240. If they have died at home it is worth taking a moment to decide whether there is an immediate rush for us to come and collect them.

Once you have notified the GP and someone has certified the death, call us on 0121 444 0437 (24 hours) and we can talk you through all of your options.

Local Direct Burial £1,795

Our service is the same as the Local Direct Cremation service but includes an eco friendly cardboard coffin suitable for burial, and enough staff on the day to carry and lower the coffin.

It does not include grave costs and burial fees. These can vary tremendously so call us for prices.

Additional Services We Can Provide

- Washing and dressing the person who has died before the cremation £50
- Visiting the person at Kings Heath or Hall Green (washing and dressing included) £110
- Webpage with photo to let people know about the funeral plans and send messages £15
- A witnessed local direct cremation. This is only available at Waseley Hills Crematorium ..... £550 at either 8.30 or 9am, Monday-Thursday. Limited to 8 people you can sit in the chapel, watch the committal and have a piece of music of your choice for up to 10 mins. There is no funeral ceremony and we still choose the date and time of the cremation.

OTHER SERVICES

Baby and Children's Funerals — £900

We have helped many families create funerals which are personal and meaningful when a child has died. Our whole team is committed to providing the best care possible in the very worst of situations.

There is money available from the Child's Funeral Fund to cover many of the costs associated with a child's funeral - cremation and burial fees and a coffin. Funeral director services are not covered, and some funeral directors will waive their fee. We don't charge for caring for the child or baby or for helping families create something helpful to them. However we do make a reduced charge for our time - in recognition that these can sometimes be some of the most challenging funerals we work with. And in recognition of our commitment to you.

Celebration of Life - Planning and Advice — From £250

A celebration of life, or memorial can be as varied and personal as the person who has died. Sometimes it will be happening in place of an attended funeral shortly after the person has died. Sometimes it will be a little while after, at a time and place to suit family and friends.

We have a huge amount of experience in creating and supporting ceremonies and events even where the body of the person who has died isn't present. We can help with choosing and booking venues, celebrant support, design and print, dedicated webpages and RSVP management. Whatever it is you need to do to celebrate and say goodbye.

Prices start at £250 for an initial consultation and planning meeting with one of our team, and will vary depending on how we can help.

Ashes Interment — £275

You don't need a funeral director to arrange an ashes interment or scattering, but sometimes cemeteries will ask you to work with a funeral director to help you with the booking and paperwork.

So if you'd like us to help you we can. We'll even be there on the day if you'd like us to. We can also offer advice and information on your choices.

Funeral Wishes Consultation — Free

Some people want to explore options and choices to help them to plan ahead for their own funerals. We like to provide a safe and informative opportunity to explore these, whether in person in one of our lovely premises or over the phone.

There's no pressure to buy anything and no hard sell - we don't sell pre-paid plans. It's Just a gentle conversation to help you think through the options available.

If you'd like us to keep a copy of your funeral wishes for you we can keep it on file. Each meeting should last around 60 minutes.

STANDARDISED PRICELIST

All funeral directors are legally required to publish this Price List in this format for a standardised set of products and services. This is to help you think through your options and make choices, and to let you compare prices between different funeral directors (because prices can vary)

Attended Funeral (funeral director's charges only) — ~~£2,485~~

This is a funeral where family and friends have a ceremony, event or service for the deceased person at the same time as they attend their burial or cremation.

Taking care of all necessary legal and administrative arrangements	£900
Collecting and transporting the deceased person from the place of death (normally within 15 miles of the funeral director's premises) into the funeral director's care	£240
Care of the deceased person before the funeral in appropriate facilities. The deceased person will be kept at the funeral director's branch premises	£515
Providing a suitable coffin - this will be made from oak veneer or brown cardboard	£420
Viewing of the deceased person for family and friends, by appointment with the funeral director (where viewing is requested by the customer)	£110
At a date and time you agree with the funeral director, taking the deceased person direct to the agreed cemetery or crematorium (normally within 20 miles of the funeral director's premises) in a hearse or other appropriate vehicle	£300

Unattended Funeral

This is a funeral where family and friends have a ceremony, event or service for the deceased person at the same time as they attend their burial or cremation.

Burial (funeral director's charges only)	**£1,795**
Cremation (funeral director's charges)	**£1,595**

Fees You Must Pay

For an Attended or Unattended burial funeral, the burial fee. 1
In this local area, the typical cost of the burial fee for local residents is: **£540-£1,501**
For a new grave, you will also need to pay for the plot; for an existing grave with a memorial in place, you may need to pay a removal / replacement fee. In addition, the cemetery may charge a number of other fees.

For an Attended cremation funeral, the cremation fee.
In this local area, the typical cost of a cremation for local residents is: **£585-£1,1225**

Please discuss any specific religious, belief-based and / or cultural requirements that you have with the funeral director

Additional Funeral Director Products And Services

This funeral director may be able to supply a range of optional, additional products and services, or to arrange (on your behalf) for a third party to supply them. Examples include:

Additional mileage (price per mile)	£1.75
Additional transfers of the deceased person's body (eg to their home, to a place of worship etc) (price per transfer)	£300
Collection and delivery of ashes	£5
Embalming	Prices on Request
Funeral Officiant (eg celebrant, minister of religion etc)	Prices on Request
Services supplied outside of normal office hours	Prices on Request

The funeral director can give you a full list of what they can supply. They are likely to charge for these additional products and services, so you may choose to take care of some arrangements without their involvement, or you can use a different supplier.

1 This fee (which is sometimes called the interment fee) is the charge made for digging and closing a new grave, or for reopening and closing an existing grave

HOME FUNERALS

Sometimes families want to take care of the arrangements themselves but just need a little bit of help. We're always very happy to chat on the phone, or in person about what's possible.

A BIT MORE ABOUT US

A Natural Undertaking is an independent company owned and led by two women: Carrie Weekes and Fran Glover. We've been open since 2014 and have helped hundreds of families to create personal and flexible funerals in all manner of venues and locations.

We're the only independent funeral director in Kings Heath, and are now open in Hall Green. We help people in all areas of Birmingham, the West Midlands and sometimes beyond.

Our focus is on ensuring that you know what your choices are, and then on helping you make the decisions that are right and natural for you.

Families tell us that we've created really warm and welcoming spaces at our premises - so if you have any questions about death and funerals, whether you're planning ahead or need to arrange a funeral now - please feel free to call or pop by for a chat. We have a lovely team in place to answer any questions.

Our commitment to you is a personal, independent service and you can see how this comes across through the reviews we receive. Please take a look at our reviews on google and our website to see what people say about us.

DISCLOSURE

We have no financial interest in any price comparison websites.

We do not make donations, contributions or pay gratuities to any third party connected with the funeral sector such as carehomes, hospices or hospitals.

PAYMENT INFORMATION AND TERMS

When we meet with you we will provide a written estimate of costs for you.

We accept payment by credit or debit card, cheque, cash or online bank transfer. Due to the level of disbursements (payments to crematoria or cemeteries) we always request a deposit. The deposit is the disbursement amount in full plus 50% of all other known costs. Full payment is requested on or by the day of the funeral.

An interest rate of 3% may be charged on any sums which remain unpaid at the expiry of 5 days from the date on which they became due. More details are in our Terms & Conditions of Business

We understand that payment of a funeral can often be challenging - please talk to us about any issues you may be facing.

Be aware that crematoria and cemeteries may have additional charges such as cancellation fees, weekend fees, fines where services over-run and fees for photo and video tributes. For burials, non-resident fees may apply.

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