**DIOCESE OF BATH AND WELLS**

**IN THE PARISH OF:**

**CHURCH:**

To the Worshipful Timothy John Briden Master of Arts Master of Laws Chancellor of the Diocese and Official Principal of the Consistory Court of Bath and Wells lawfully constituted

**PETITION FOR THE RESERVATION OF A GRAVE SPACE**

**or CREMATION PLOT**

*The Applicant must answer the following questions. Where a question is marked \* delete as appropriate*

1. Full name (s): ………………………………………………………………………………….

Address: ………………………………………………………………………………………..

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E-mail: ……………………………………………………………

1. Do you reside in the parish? YES/NO \*
2. Is your name on the Church Electoral Roll? YES/NO \*
3. Have you attended Church in the past 12 months? YES/NO \*
4. If the answer to each of questions 2, 3 and 4 is NO, what is your connection with the Parish Church?
5. Do you wish to reserve a grave space (for coffin burial) or a cremation plot (for ashes)?
6. For whose burial/interment is the space requested? Please provide FULL names and, where appropriate, relationship to the applicant.
7. Is the application for a space or plot of **SINGLE** or **DOUBLE** depth? \*
8. What is the number or other designation of the desired grave space or cremation plot on the churchyard plan?
9. If question 9 cannot be answered, how can the desired grave space or cremation plot be identified? (for example, by way of distances from other graves or features in the Churchyard; please give full details)
10. Set out here any additional matters which you wish the Chancellor to take into account (*continue on a separate sheet if necessary*)

I, the Applicant, have been informed of the number of years during which the intended reservation shall be in force, and I understand that:-

1. I am expected to make a voluntary contribution of £75 to the Parochial Church Council towards the cost of churchyard maintenance;
2. The reserved plot must until the first interment be marked with a small stone, or a peg of metal or wood, or in such other ways as the minister or a churchwarden shall direct
3. Unless a separate faculty is granted, any monument placed upon the grave must comply with the Diocesan Churchyard Regulations or any local regulations applicable to the Churchyard.

I (*full names of Applicant(s)) ………………………………………………*……………state that the statements made by me in this Petition and the answers which I have given to questions 1 to 10 above are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature(s) of Applicant(s)

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Dated this day of 2023

**SCHEDULE**

*To be completed by Incumbent, Priest-in-Charge or a Churchwarden after the Petition has been signed and dated by the Applicant.*

1. The Schedule is accompanied by a plan of the Churchyard showing the exact position of the space or plot it is proposed to reserve as identified in the Applicant’s answer to question 9 or 10 above, unless it is possible to give a clear verbal description of the site
2. I acknowledge receipt of £75 in respect of the Petitioner’s contribution towards the cost of churchyard maintenance.
3. There is plenty of room in the Churchyard, and it is thought that the present Churchyard will provide sufficient burial space for………. years. (*Please complete as appropriate)*
4. The Churchyard **is/is not** \* closed by Order in Council (\* *Please delete as appropriate)*
5. The Schedule is accompanied by a certified copy of the Parochial Church Council’s resolution approving the application.
6. The Parochial Church Council wishes the period of reservation to be limited to **30/50** years \* unless subsequently extended by order of the Consistory Court

(\* *Please delete as appropriate)*

Signature ………………………………………..

Office held ……………………………………..

Dated this day of 2023

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Signature ……………………………………………………………

Date …………………………………………………….