

The Parish of Elmley Castle with Bricklehampton and the Combertons
Churchyard Monuments and Graves



To all families and friends visiting and caring for memorials
and graves
PLEASE READ

Maintenance and management of the Churchyard

The churchyard is maintained by the church and its maintenance and management is the responsibility of the Parochial Church Council (PCC). We aim to keep our churchyards as a peaceful space where all may come to remember friends and relations who have died. We are committed to maintaining our churchyards in an environmentally appropriate way.

Churchyard regulations

In order to manage the churchyard safely, the PCC follows the Diocesan Regulations which set out the size, colour and design of memorials, and what is permitted on a grave plot. A full copy can be obtained on request from the Bredon Hill Group Administrator Alison Khan on acbhteam@gmail.com or rectoryoffice@btinternet.com.

Monuments. A monument is the responsibility of the family who erected it to keep it in good repair and safe. The land belongs to the church not the family.

Flowers and other Decorations

Flowering bulbs and small annual plants are permitted on graves. Dear or wilted material may be removed.

Ecclesiastical Law ***does not permit the introduction of decorations other than flowers and wreaths made of natural materials. No plastics, oasis or other decorations are permitted. No kerbs, railings or chippings are permitted.***

Although we understand the desire for graves to be as personal as possible, we do need to make sure that the rules are followed in order to maintain calm, peaceful and uncluttered churchyards.

We politely request that these unauthorised items please be removed. Any such items not removed by yourselves may be removed by churchyard volunteers without further notice.

Any questions?

If you have any questions, please do contact us and we will try to help.

For more information please contact our vicar on klbhteam@gmail.com