



A Partnership Funeral Service

for the benefit of residents of St Helens
January to March 2026



Who can apply for a partnership funeral?

The service is available to anyone who has to arrange the funeral for a deceased resident of the Borough who is to be cremated at St Helens Crematorium or buried at St Helens or Newton Cemeteries. The service is also available if the deceased is to be buried in a private churchyard or cemetery, however the private churchyard additional fees will apply.

This service is available to residents of St Helens and does not relate in any way to your income. No payment is made by St Helens Council.

What does a Partnership Funeral Service provide?

A cremation or burial within the Borough at a reasonable cost and undertaken by experienced Funeral Directors and includes:

- Collection of the deceased within the Borough's boundaries (during business hours).
- Provision of the Chapel of Rest (during business hours).
- All arrangements for a dignified funeral at the Crematorium or Cemetery.
- Suitable coffin with appropriate fittings.
- Motor-hearse and one following limousine.
- Crematorium/Cemetery charges at St.Helens Crematorium or St Helens/Newton-le-Willows Council Cemeteries.
- Medical referee fee.
- Clergy/Officiate

How is St Helens Council able to offer this Service?

The Council has negotiated an arrangement with local firms of Funeral Directors who are well-established and reputable, and they have agreed to provide the specified Funeral Services which are arranged to the same high standard of any other funeral arranged by the Company of your choice.

Membership of Professional Organisation

All partners agree, follow and abide by the National Association of Funeral Directors Code of Practice and hold Membership of this or equivalent professional Organisation.

The partnership Funeral Directors are:-

Bate & Holland Funeral Directors, branches at:

2 Prescot Road, St Helens, WA10 3UB, Tel: 01744 302647

51 Wigan Road, Ashton in Makerfield, WN4 9AR, Tel: 01942 273347

Co-op Funeralcare, branches at:

3-5 Eccleston Street, St Helens WA10 2PF. Tel: 01744 23675.

238 Crow Lane East, Newton-le-Willows WA12 9UA. Tel: 01925 226257

Debbie Bennett Funeral Directors, branches at:

31 High Street, Prescot, L34 6HE, Tel: 0151 426 3131

3a Station Road, Rainhill, Merseyside, L35 0LL, Tel: 0151 426 3131

F W Marsh Funeral Service, branches at:

100 Parr Stocks Road, St Helens WA9 1NZ. Tel: 01744 27928.

199 Warrington Road, Whiston L35 5AF. Tel: 0151 4310696

55 Main Street, Billinge, St Helens WN5 7HA. Tel: 01744 892260

1 Queen Street, Newton-le-Willows, WA12 9AS. Tel: 01925 291060

177 Ormskirk Road, Rainford, St Helens WA11 8HR. Tel: 01744 882645

Walker's Funeral Service, branches at:

41 Helena Road, St Helens, Merseyside, WA9 4JH, Tel: 01744 833866

11 Lyndale, Ashurst, Skelmersdale, WN8 6UJ Tel: 01695 411219

What is the cost for you?

| Funeral Director | Burial in existing grave in St Helens or Newton Cemeteries | Burial in a new grave for 2 burials | Burial in a new grave for 3 burials | Cremation at St Helens Crematorium 10am – 4pm* | Cremation at St Helens Crematorium 9am or 9.30am** | Direct Cremation at St Helens Crematorium No Ceremony |
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| Bate & Holland | £2575 | £3634 | £3879 | £2570 | £2319 | £1150 |
| Coop Funeralcare | £2389 | £3448 | £3693 | £2384 | £2133 | Not offered under partnership |
| Debbie Bennett | £2734 | £3793 | £4038 | £2729 | £2478 | £1120 |
| F W Marsh | £2951 | £4010 | £4255 | £2946 | £2695 | £1075 |
| Walkers | £2250 | £3309 | £3554 | £2250 | £1999 | £1050 |

*Based on current standard cremation fee £890 (one slot of 20 minutes service time between 10am until 4pm) an extended 30-minute cremation service time can be made for an additional £109 along with ministers/officiants fee

** based on current early morning cremation fee £639 (one slot of 20 minutes service time at 9am or 9.30am) along with ministers/officiants fee

What about extras?

Although the service detailed above allow for a full dignified funeral, some people may require the following additional services which are available if felt appropriate, these can be arranged at an extra costs. Please discuss with your chosen funeral director.

| Funeral Directors | | | | | |
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| Additional Services | Bate & Holland | Coop Funeralcare | Debbie Bennett | F W Marsh | Walkers |
| Longer distance removals (after 25 miles) per mile | £0.95 | £2.00 | £1.75 | £1.50 | £1.00 |
| Embalming / Hygienic treatment | £130 | £175 | £125 | £120 | £115 |
| Taking coffin home prior to service | £150 | £155 | £160 | £160 | £150 |
| Taking coffin to church day prior to funeral: Between 9am-5pm Mon- Fri | £150 | £155 | £195 | £260 | £150 |
| After 5pm Mon-Fri | £170 | £255 | £180 | £260 | £175 |
| Sat/Sun | £170 | £255 | £190 | £260 | £175 |
| Church service prior to cremation or burial | £190-£500 (dependent on church or religion) | POA | POA | POA | POA |
| Additional Mourners Cars (limousines) to carry 7 passengers | £215 | £280 | £225 | £250 | £199 |
| Bearers (when requested by client) | Included | Included | £40 | £40 | £35 |
| Longer distance funerals: Hearse and funeral staff each running mile after initial 25 miles | £0.95 | £2.00 | £1.75 | £1.50 | £1.00 |
| Additional Mourners Cars (limousines) each running mile after initial 25 miles | £0.95 | £2.00 | £1.75 | £1.50 | £1.00 |

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| Removal & re-fixing of memorials | POA | POA | POA | POA | POA |
| Casket for cremated remains to hold one set of CRS | £69.50 | From £30 | £100 | £100 | Starting from £30 |
| Evening/Weekend chapel visits | £100 | £20 | £30 per 60 minutes | £25 | £50 |
| Press releases | POA | POA | POA | POA | POA |
| Additional charge if overall coffin size is larger than 6'6 x 26" for burial | £59 | £59 | £59 | £59 | £59 |
| Extended cremation service time (per 30 minutes) | £109 | £109 | £109 | £109 | £109 |
| Trolley Hire for large coffins at the crematorium | £48 | £48 | £48 | £48 | £48 |
| Visual Tribute: Single Photo | No Charge | No Charge | No Charge | No Charge | No Charge |
| Visual Tribute: Slideshow upto 25 images | £50 | £50 | £50 | £50 | £50 |
| Visual Tribute: Pro tribute, timed to music upto 25 pics | £75 | £75 | £75 | £75 | £75 |
| Visual Tribute: Bespoke package (including video clips) | POA | POA | POA | POA | POA |
| Visual Tribute: Extra 25 photos | £33 | £33 | £33 | £33 | £33 |

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| | Bate & Holland | Coop Funeralcare | Debbie Bennett | F W Marsh | Walkers |
| Visual Tribute: Extra work by supplier per occasion | £22 | £22 | £22 | £22 | £22 |
| Downloadable Pro Tribute (when alongside service recording) | £10 | £10 | £10 | £10 | £10 |
| Webcasting Live and 28 day Watch again | £54 | £54 | £54 | £54 | £54 |
| Visual Tribute / Webcasting: Keepsake Copy on DVD or USB (first copy) | £55 | £55 | £55 | £55 | £55 |
| Visual tribute / Webcasting Keepsake copy on DVD Or USB in addition to above second and any additional copies | £32 | £32 | £32 | £32 | £32 |
| Live webcast, single photo & Slideshow for children under 18 years | No Charge | No Charge | No Charge | No Charge | No Charge |
| Family-made incorporated in any tribute: additional cost to above | £32 | £32 | £32 | £32 | £32 |

How to use the Funeral Service

If you wish to take advantage of this service, please call the Funeral Director of your choice on the numbers at any time, they all offer a 24-hour service and quote the partnership funeral service arrangement.

Bereavement Services Advice & Support

Please feel free to contact a member of the Bereavement Services Team for further guidance or advice concerning any aspects not included in the Partnership Service. Telephone **01744 675490** - Monday-Friday 9.00am - 4.30pm, or visit our website: www.sthelens.gov.uk/bereavement