GUIDELINES FOR SEER GREEN CEMETERY

The Parish Council respectfully asks visitors to note the following guidelines when tending graves:

TREES & SHRUBS:

Trees and shrubs may not be planted directly into the soil – the roots of even small trees can dislodge nearby gravestones, causing a hazard to all visitors and making ground maintenance difficult. Where necessary, the Parish Council will remove trees or shrubs deemed to be a potential hazard. Trees and shrubs **contained in pots** are permitted but must be placed directly over burial plots.

POTS & BASKETS:

These must be placed directly over the grave or cremation plot and not around the perimeter, which causes problems for grass cutting and leaf clearance and can make it awkward for other visitors to walk to other graves.

CULTIVATION OF PLOTS:

Graves: Any planting of flowers should be directly <u>over</u> the grave and not around the perimeter.

Cremation Plots: Due to the small size of the plots for cremated remains, cultivation of these plots is <u>not</u> permitted.

Please Note - Non-native species must not be planted either in pots or directly in the ground, this is to prevent spread of these plants to the surrounding ancient woodland areas. Please refer to the RHS website for details of non-native species <u>https://www.rhs.org.uk/prevention-protection/invasive-non-native-plants</u>. If non-native species are found, the Parish Council has the right to remove them.

Please note:-

All dead flowers and pots can be disposed of in the green bin provided

The aim of these standards is to maintain the dignified and tasteful appearance of the cemetery. Should there by any queries concerning these standards, please contact Mrs E. Bates, Seer Green Parish Clerk on 01494 874233.