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Information to all Registered Memorial Masons and Funeral Directors.

All Stockport Cemeteries are lawn cemeteries with space provided for headstones and tributes on concrete foundations. No memorialisation or tributes should be placed on any lawn areas which includes the grass on grave spaces. A summary welcome information sheet for new grave owners and full details of Stockport Cemeteries Terms of Use can be found at: www.stockport.gov.uk

Mill Lane

To conform to planning permission for this cemetery, no upright memorials are permitted. Memorials must be made of **granite** and to the size and shape specified below. Separate vases, urns, tributes etc... must be a maximum of 150mm (6") in height and are not permitted on the grave space or grassed areas. This is to assist with maintenance of the cemetery. No permanent tributes eg; vases, urns, silk flowers etc... should exceed the total height restriction of 275mm (11") with the only exception being fresh cut flowers. **This height restriction includes the height of the headstone and is measured from the concrete plinth.**

Memorial size specifications at Mill Lane are as follows:

Please Note: Headstones must conform to the specifications below:

All Standard burial sections: 900mm (36") wide, 600mm (24") long and 125mm (5") in height at the rear sloping to 75mm (3") at the front and should be installed on a similar sized concrete paving stone on the pre-installed concrete plinth with a mortar skim to secure.

On Standard burial sections Flower Holders, Flower Troughs, Additional Inscription Plates made of matching granite to the headstone are allowed to be fixed to the top of the flat edge of the headstone as long as the total maximum height of the headstone combined with any additions does not exceed the total allowed height for memorialisation at Mill Lane Cemetery of 275mm (11") and will be classed as an Authorised Tribute attached to the headstone but not part of the headstone.

Headstones on the Jewish section (Section MM) are slightly smaller, 750mm (29½") wide, 446mm (17½") long and 125mm (5") in height at the rear sloping to 75mm (3") at the front and should be installed on a similar sized concrete paving stone on the pre-installed concrete plinth with a mortar skim to secure.

Paul Lawrence
Corporate Director

The new cremated remains (Section ME) graves are 431mm (17") wide, 381mm (15") long and 100mm (4") in height at the rear sloping to 45mm (1¾") at the front, secured by a mortar skim to the headstone installation area (Pathway). The top of the headstone should be level with the top of the tribute wall.

Stockport Crematorium, Park Road, Willow Grove and Highfield Cemeteries.

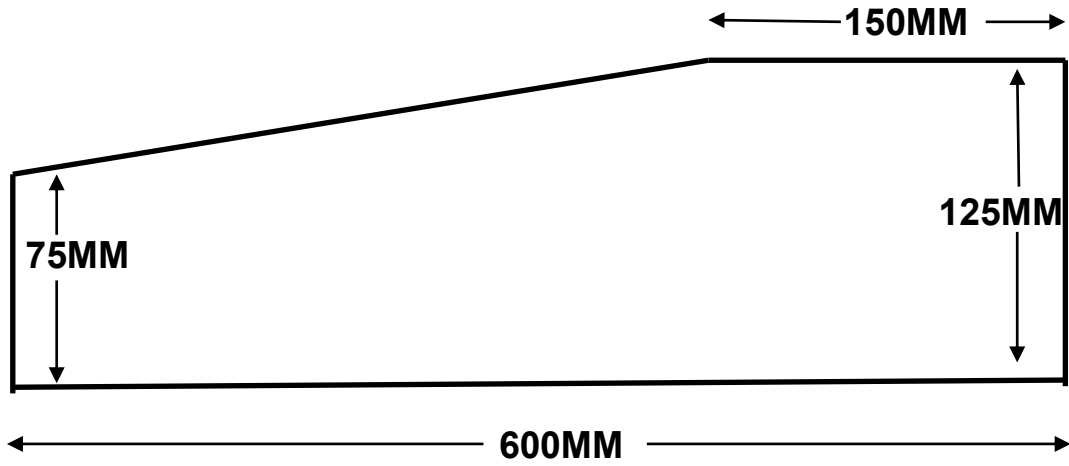
Maximum headstone sizes for Stockport Borough, Park Road, Cheadle, Willow Grove, Reddish and Highfield Cemeteries are as follows;

Lawn Type Upright Plate – 610mm (24") wide by 900mm (36") high, Base – 864mm (34") by 305mm (12") by 50mm (2") in height. The plate and base should be fitted on a pre-cast reinforced concrete foundation (Where there is no pre-prepared concrete plinth) to current NAMM specifications.

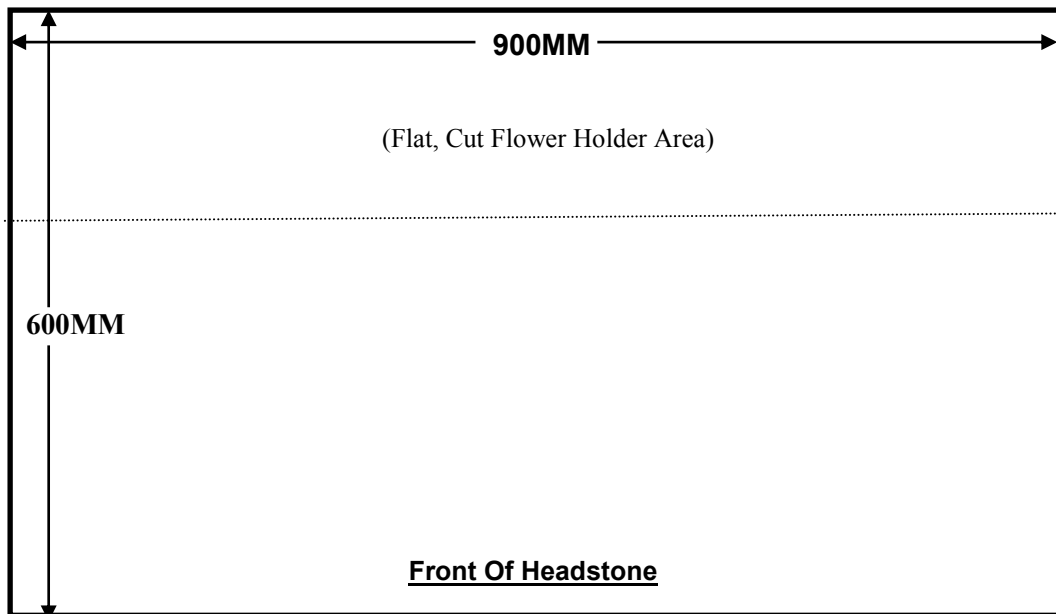
Important Fitting Information for All Sites In Stockport

The stone mason's name, grave number and section must be inscribed on the base of the stone, also when fixing or re-fixing upright headstones a ground anchor system must be fitted including an indication asterisk (*) or recognised ground anchor symbol must be inscribed on the base with the grave number, section and mason's name. Headstones at Mill Lane Cemetery do not require a ground anchor system.

MILL LANE HEADSTONE SPECIFICATIONS

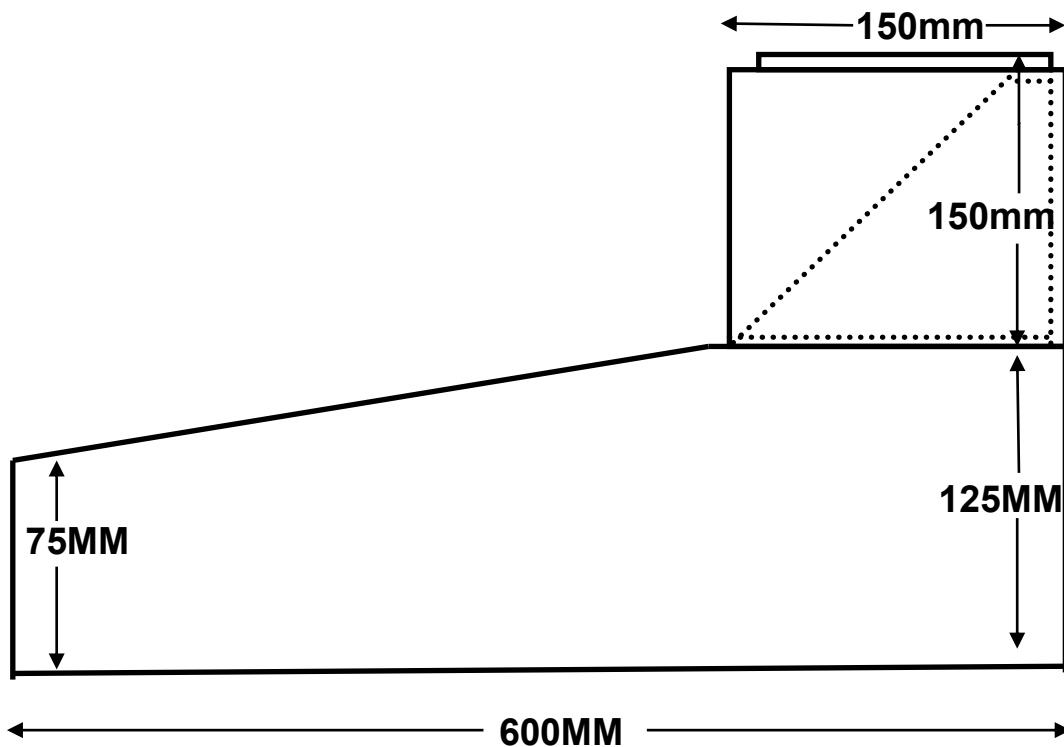
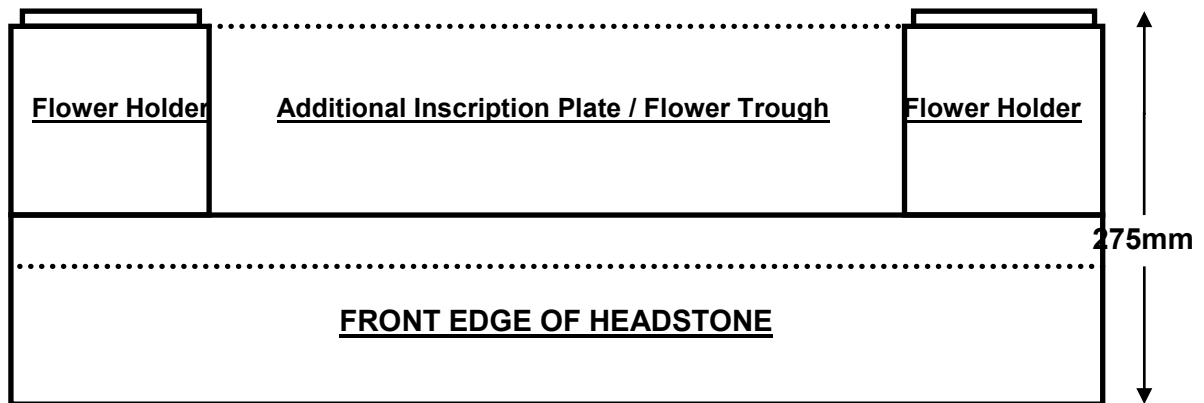


MILL LANE STANDARD FULL SIZE HEADSTONES

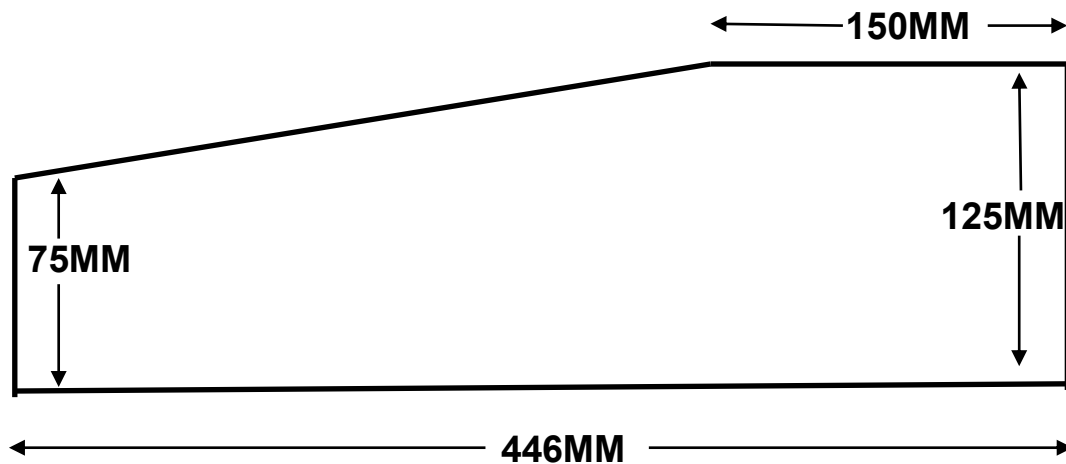


See Below For Examples of Additional Authorised Tributes Allowed To Be Attached To Standard Headstones At Mill Lane.

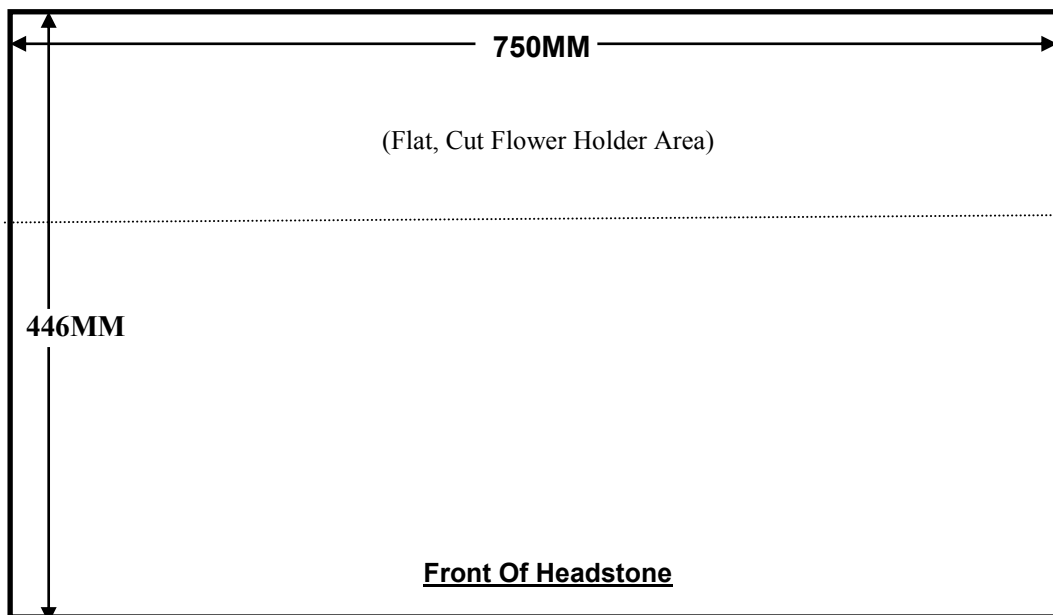
Total maximum height allowed by planning regulations for Mill Lane Cemetery for any permanent headstone / authorised tribute combination at Mill Lane Cemetery is no more than 275mm (11") ie: any authorised tribute addition added to the top of the headstone should be no more than 150mm (6") in height.



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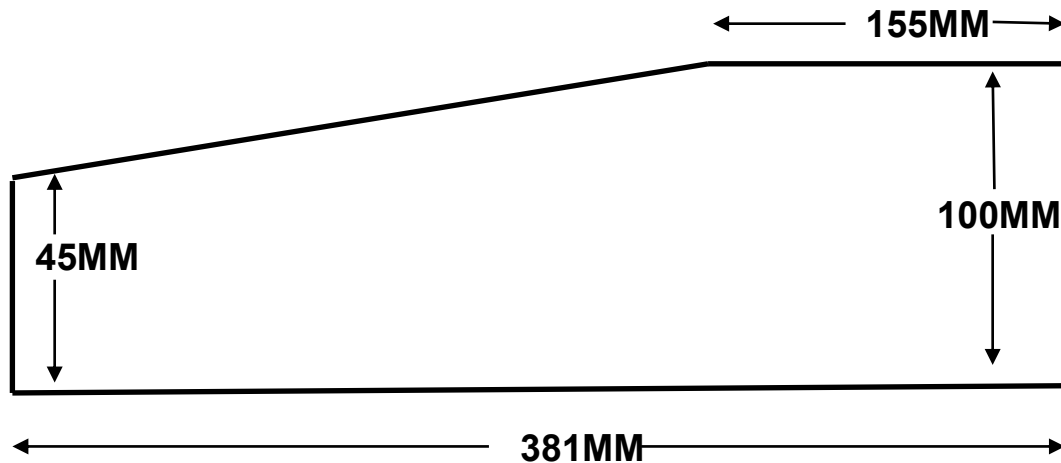


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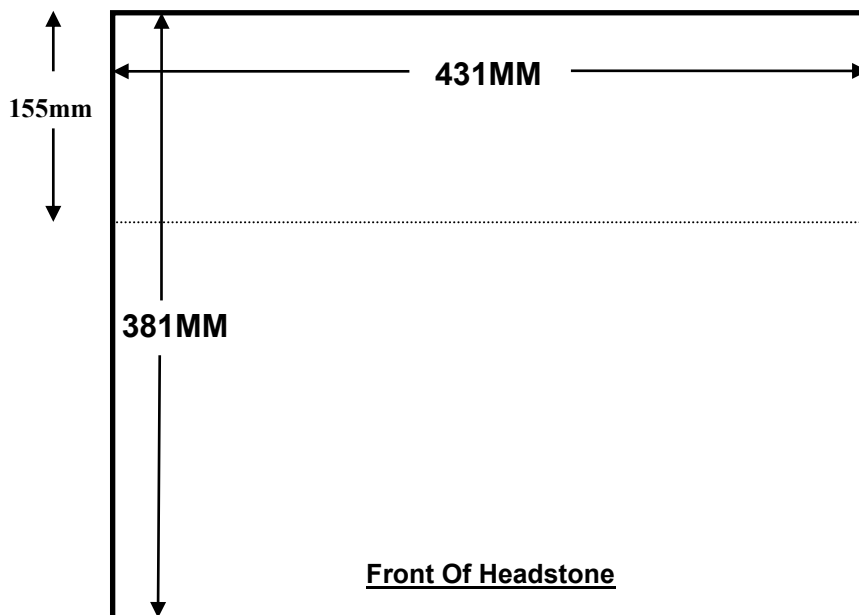
Mill Lane Jewish Section (MM)

Memorial on this section (MM) must be made from Granite or Slate no other materials will be permitted. Headstones should be laid on a 10mm mortar bed on top of a PPC paving slab cut to match the dimensions of the headstone which in turn should be laid on a 10mm mortar bed which shall allow for drainage onto the foundation. Memorials and PPC slabs shall be laid to the longitudinal fall of the foundation in a true and straight line. Pre-Cast Concrete Paving Slabs should be 750mm x 446mm x 50mm natural grey and set onto the SMBC foundation as above.

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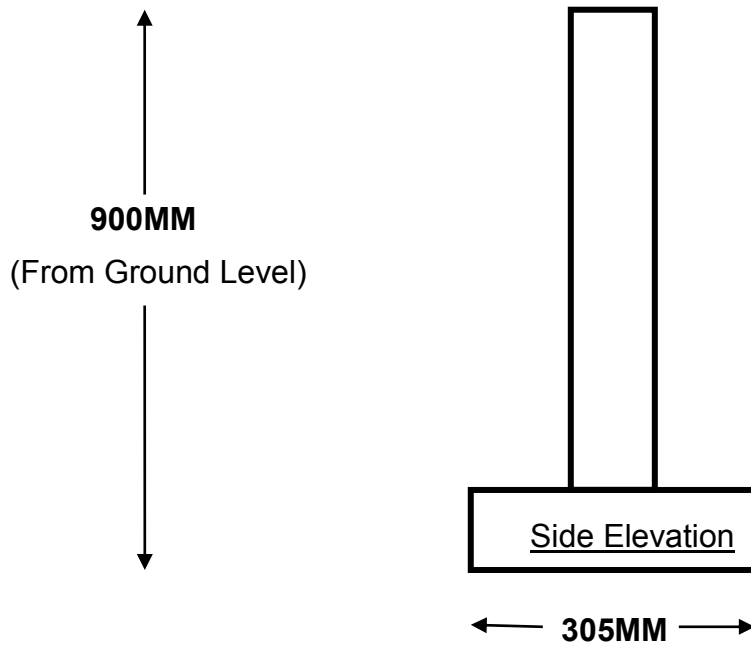
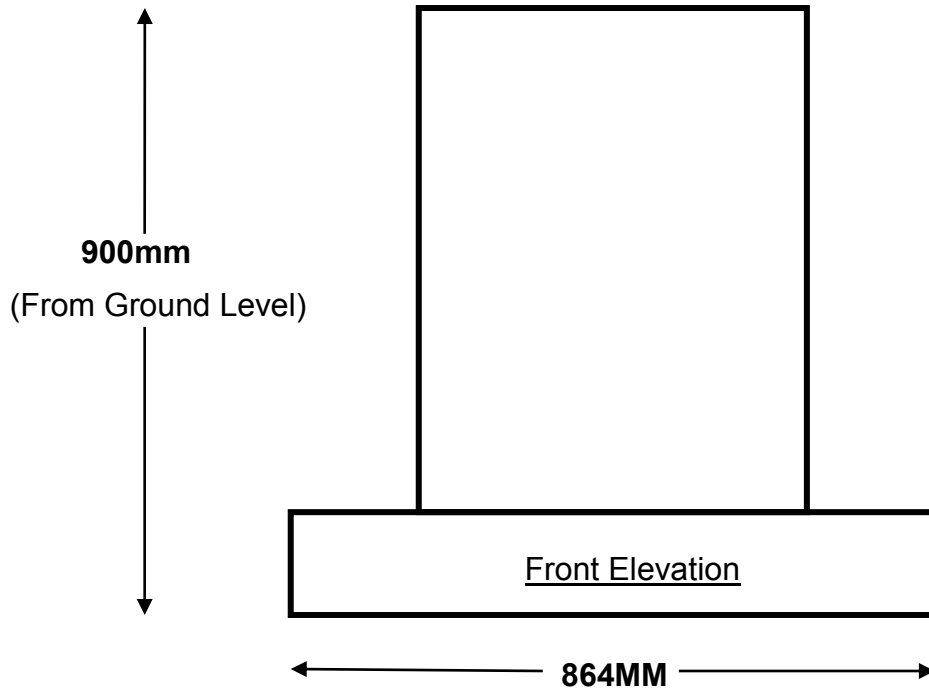
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Mill Lane Ashes Section (ME)

Memorial on this section (MM) must be made from Granite no other materials will be permitted. Headstones should be laid on a 10mm mortar bed to match the dimensions of the headstone, the mortar bed to be adjusted to allow the headstone to be laid level taking into account any ground level deviations, which in turn should shall allow for drainage onto the foundation. Memorials shall be laid to the longitudinal fall of the foundation/path in a true and straight line. On this section Pre-Cast Concrete Paving Slabs cut to match headstone dimensions should Not be used as a base.

LAWN TYPE UPRIGHT PLATE HEADSTONES -

(OTHER SITES THAN MILL LANE)



Important Fitting Information:

Other Cemetery Sites (Not Including Mill Lane)

Memorials must be made from Granite no other materials will be permitted. Memorials shall be laid to the longitudinal fall of the foundation in a true and straight line. Maximum sizes should be 900mm in height, (Measured from the ground/foundation level) 864mm in width and 305mm in depth. Headstones should be laid on a 5-10mm mortar/resin bond bed on top of the pre-installed reinforced concrete plinth foundation; on older areas where a concrete plinth foundation is not available headstones should be laid on a suitable NAMM approved pre-cast foundation set at ground level.

All upright headstones must be fitted with a NAMM approved Ground Anchor System and the base of the headstone should be appropriately marked to show that a Ground Anchor is fitted along with the Grave Number and Mason's name.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact Ray Hallsworth on: 0161 491 0629.

Yours sincerely,

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