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Chapel Lawn extension

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The Chapel Lawn area at Fawkner Memorial Park is located at the southern boundary, next to the Fawkner chapel complex. Stage 1 was completed in 2015 with the construction of 336 premium plaque lawn beam graves. These graves feature a bronze plaque mounted on a granite rest on a lawn beam.

Stage 2 works will see the extension of stage 1 works to the south, with the addition of a further 84 premium lawn beam plaque graves immediately adjacent to the existing lawn beams.

Additionally, 252 premium headstone lawn beam graves will be constructed on an adjacent site, providing additional choice for our customers while complementing the existing character of the area. These graves will feature a premium headstone mounted on a lawn beam.

What will be the impact on local residents and nearby streets?

During construction, there will be increased traffic from construction vehicles, equipment and construction staff accessing the area. Local residents and visitors should expect to experience minor impacts to road and cemetery access during this time.

To ensure public safety and minimise impact on local residents, traffic management plans will be in place, managed by the building contractors.

GMCT's priority will be to reduce any impact on visitors, in particular those attending funeral services at the nearby chapels.

How much will these ROIs cost?

Cemetery fees are determined according to a cost-recovery model, which accounts for the cost of construction, as well as GMCT's perpetual maintenance obligations.

The fees charged for rights of interment at GMCT cemeteries help ensure GMCT can maintain each of the cemeteries it is responsible for in perpetuity. The perpetual maintenance obligations of Class A cemetery trusts are outlined in the *Cemeteries and Crematoria Act 2003 (Vic)*.

Fees for the developments outlined in this update will be approved by the Department of Health and Human Services through a formal process.

Details of the process can be found on the Vic Health website at: www2.health.vic.gov.au/about/publications/policiesandguidelines/guidelines-for-class-a-cemetery-trust-fee-setting

Where can I find more information?

Information regarding the release of these graves for purchase will be available through the GMCT website, under the community updates page.

Interested members of the public can register to receive GMCT's monthly newsletter for more information and to stay up to date on our news.

Register at
<http://www.gmct.com.au/media-news-events/newsletters/>

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