

## East Rockingham Pioneer Cemetery Burial

### Objective

- To provide persons who do not hold a Grant of Right of Burial but already have immediate family members interred in the East Rockingham Pioneer Cemetery the right to be buried in the Cemetery.
- To define who can be buried in Cemetery after 30th June 2009.
- To acknowledge the pioneer significance of the Cemetery and ensure that families are able to be buried together.

### Statement

Whilst acknowledging the new Rockingham Regional Memorial Park (**Memorial Park**), has recently opened, the Council still wishes to allow for families to be reunited by allowing for burials at the East Rockingham Pioneer Cemetery when requested, where they are an immediate family member of persons interred prior to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2009 or they were a grant holder at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2009.

### Definitions

**Cemetery** means East Rockingham Pioneer Cemetery at Reserve 841 Mandurah Road, East Rockingham, WA.

**Immediate Family Members** means a Great Grandparent, Grand Parent, Husband, Wife, Mother, Father, Son, Daughter, Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren as of 30<sup>th</sup> June 2009

**City** means City of Rockingham

**Interment** means the burial of a coffin or the placement of ashes within a plot.

### Procedure

Any person holding a current Grant of Right of Burial at East Rockingham Pioneer Cemetery as at 30 June 2009.

Immediate Family Members of persons holding a current Grant of Right of Burial at East Rockingham Pioneer Cemetery as at 30 June 2009.

Immediate Family Members of persons already interred within East Rockingham Pioneer Cemetery.

Instances whereby an owner of a Grant of Right of Burial at 30 June 2009 has become deceased, not exercised the grant, and has gifted it to another family member, it will be recognised as belonging to the recipient of the gifting (on producing appropriate proof and the completion of a Statutory Declaration).

The Chief Executive Officer of City of Rockingham holds discretionary power to authorise the interment of any person not covered by the above rulings, subject to unused plots (those that no Grant of Right of Burial has been allocated to it at any time) being available.

Relevant fees and charges as included in the City's annual budget will apply to this Policy.

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