

Llanbedr Community Council - Memorial Tree Policy

Llanbedr Community Council recognises the wish for memorials and has designated an area within the Y Ddol playing fields by Cae Deiliog Community Gardens for ornamental memorial trees to be planted.

Llanbedr Community Council will consider requests for memorial trees on an individual basis and retains the right to refuse or limit the number of memorials.

OBJECTIVES

This policy has been produced with the following guiding principles:

- To be respectful and sympathetic to those seeking to install a memorial
- To establish responsibility for the maintenance, repair and replacement of memorials
- To ensure that memorials are not out of place in the area in which they are situated

The content of this policy may be revised as necessary at the discretion of the Llanbedr Community Council. Any applications must be in agreement and comply with this memorial tree policy. This policy will be reviewed on an annual basis in April.

GENERAL

- All applications for memorial trees should be made using the Memorial Tree Application form.
- Memorial Trees which will be permitted need to be native and ornamental, non-invasive species, with a maximum spread and height of 3.5m.
- Llanbedr Community Council will inform the applicant if the application has been successful and which of the proposed three options are suitable (see application form). No planting is possible prior to this consent.
- The applicant is responsible for planting the tree at the appropriate time of year, in accordance with the stockist guidelines (with appropriate sheath, support stakes, planting compost / mulch etc) to ensure its protection from animals and the survival of the tree. (Please note: the applicant will be responsible, and may need to consider the care requirements of the memorial tree during its first few months following planting whilst it gets established).
- To fit the planting scheme in the designated area and allow appropriate spacing between trees, the location of the memorial tree is to be agreed with Llanbedr Community Council in advance of planting.
- Llanbedr Community Council accepts no responsibility if a memorial tree is damaged, vandalised or stolen.
- Llanbedr Community Council also reserves the right to remove or surgically reduce any tree that is dangerous, diseased or causing any other concern as expressed by a practicing arborist. In the event a tree is removed it is up to the applicant to provide a replacement tree.
- Memorials will be limited to trees. No additional mementos e.g. vases, statues, flowers, wreaths, balloons, photos etc, shall be permitted on or around the memorial tree. Any mementos left will be removed without return.
- A small memorial plaque is permitted to be fixed to a wooden stake at the base of the tree. The memorial plaque must be made out of wood, slate or metal, with a maximum plaque dimension of 300mm x 300mm.
- Eligibility for a memorial tree is based on the deceased having been a resident on the electoral register of Llanbedr or buried in one of Llanbedr's churches, or a 'close relative' (namely spouse, civil partner, parent, child or sibling) of a current or former inhabitant of Llanbedr.
- Applications for deceased pets will not be considered.
- The tree will be maintained by Llanbedr Community Council in line with its current maintenance programme and biodiversity policy of Cae Deiliog Community Gardens.
- There is a **one off charge of £150**, payable to Llanbedr Community Council, which goes towards the maintenance around the site of your memorial tree.

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A list of suggestions for memorial trees is available on Llanbedr Community Council website. Native, ornamental trees will be considered with a height and spread at maturity of approx. 3.5m. Memorial trees will only be permitted in the area marked in red below.

LOCATION OF MEMORIAL TREES

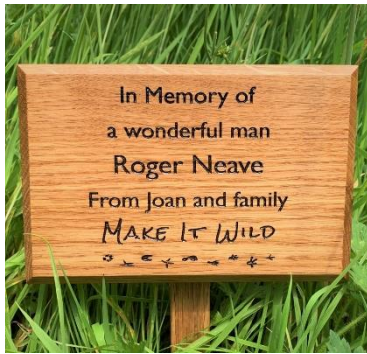


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EXAMPLES OF MEMORIAL PLAQUES

Applicants can source their own plaques based on the guidelines

Plaques are permitted in wood, slate or metal plaques, some examples are below, which can be mounted on a stake at the foot of the tree. The size of the plaque to be no larger than 300mm x 300mm.



<https://www.brunelengraving.co.uk>

<https://www.sign-maker.net/memorial/wooden-memorial-plaque.htm>

<https://www.valleymill.co.uk/>