

30th Anniversary 1989 - 2019

As part of our 30th year celebrations, we will be holding a Funeral Fayre/Open Day on Saturday 3rd August 2019 from 10am – 4pm.

On this day you will be able to meet various Funeral Directors and ask them any questions, as well as other professionals from bereavement services. We will have the chapels open for viewing and we will be taking tours of people behind the scenes to see what happens after the curtains have closed at the funeral service.

Abbey Chapel

It is a year since we opened the Abbey Chapel and to date we have carried out over 1200 services in that chapel.

It is proving to be slightly more popular than the existing St Edmunds Chapel – possibly because it is a smaller and more intimate space and therefore more suited to those funerals with fewer mourners. It is bright and airy and has a different atmosphere to the main chapel, which has a warmer, more traditional feel.

Both chapels have their own advantages but both have the Obitus music system, and both offer webcasting, tribute screen and DVDs.

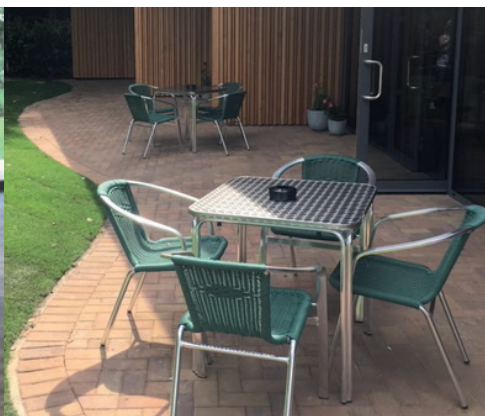


Meadow Café - Open Monday to Friday, from 9am to 4pm.

In June 2018 we opened our Meadow Café, which we always knew was a much needed service at our busy crematorium.

The café is open to all visitors, whether visiting the memorial gardens or attending a funeral, and offers a wide selection of home-made cakes and biscuits, light lunches such as sandwiches, scones and jacket potatoes and even a cooked breakfast.

It is proving to be extremely popular, especially with those people arriving early for a funeral service. Quite often a whole group of people will meet in the café for a drink and bite to eat before the service begins.



Charity News



SAMARITANS

In 2018 we raised £10,000 from our metal recycling scheme - which enables us to recycle all metals retrieved following cremation - and we were then able to donate this money to local good causes.

This year we decided to share the money between 2 local charities that do amazing work for the community. £5000 was given to the Bury St Edmunds branch of the Samaritans, who rely on donations to fund their much-needed service and £5000 was donated to the My Wish charity based at West Suffolk Hospital, who will be using this money towards their latest Butterfly Appeal, which will enhance the care of their end of life patients and their families.



Memorialisation Update

West Suffolk Crematorium are excited to announce the launch of a new memorial range giving families the opportunity for a truly bespoke and personal memorial to their loved ones. Ashes with Art are a family run business with 15 years' experience and has joined West Suffolk Crematorium to provide this high quality memorialisation. Their processes allow for ashes to be fused in to specialist glass and create either Jewellery or wall mountable art. If further information is required please contact us and we will be happy to assist you.



ASHES WITH ART

CREMATION JEWELLERY AND GLASS ART MEMORIALS



Westerleigh Group News

West Suffolk Crematorium and Cemetery is part of the Westerleigh Group. Westerleigh operates 34 sites across the breadth of the UK. Over the past 2 years we have opened five new crematoria at Babworth Crematorium, North Wiltshire Crematorium, The Vale Crematorium (Evesham), Aylesbury Vale Crematorium and Stirlingshire Crematorium.

We strive to deliver the very best standards of support and care for the families who come to us - and work in partnership with our Funeral Directors to be able to deliver this. Our colleagues who work in our sites, in our opinion, are the most passionate and dedicated in the industry.



Please visit our Facebook page for the most up to date news from the team at West Suffolk Crematorium.