



Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh, Charity Number SC008540

NOTICE OF UNSAFE MEMORIALS

It is a legal duty to ensure Mount Vernon cemetery is safe for visitors, staff, those attending/officiating at funerals, and contractors under national burial ground guidelines.

Whilst the cemetery owns the ground the headstone remains the private property and responsibility of the lair holder / family. You are advised that 'warning notices' will be attached to each memorial deemed unsafe.

What you should do if the headstone has a 'warning' notice.

Arrange repair - hire a registered, qualified monument stonemason to re-fix which may include a new safe foundation or a re-erect. Whether the memorial has been laid flat or just tagged with a 'warning' notice you must not carry out any repair yourself. This action could prove dangerous and is strictly prohibited. Please contact the cemetery manager on 0131 623 8906 to discuss a course of action.

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