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*Assessing
the environmental
impact of a funeral*



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Embalming using formaldehyde based fluids	Embalming using 'natural' products (seaweed extracts), fluids drained into sewer system	Embalming	No embalming, refrigeration prior to funeral of over five days	No embalming, refrigeration prior to funeral of just a few days
American casket/coffin made from rainforest timber or metal	Conventional coffin (chipboard/MDF with glued-on veneer & plastic handles, etc.)	Coffin	Cardboard, bamboo or other 'green' material not produced locally.	Locally produced in wicker, papier mâché, wood, etc, from local, sustainable sources.
Air freighted flowers with plastic frames and oasis	Air freighted flowers, with frames subsequently recycled and green material composted	Floral Tributes	Locally produced flowers, with frames subsequently recycled and green material composted	Garden flowers with no frames, donations to charity instead of tributes
Same-day cremation in conventional coffin (resulting in maximum emissions)	Emissions reduced 50% by using eco-coffin/recycling of metals Deep burial or burial in clay/peat soils or within water table (potential for water pollution/methane emissions)	Burial & Cremation	Burial in re-used or reclaimed grave Burial in natural burial site where grass is intensively mown	Burial in natural burial site with mowing just twice yearly.
Conventional cremation with inefficient cremator	Cremation with staffing shifts and coffins held up to 48 hours to reduce fuel consumption	Energy Use	Burial in mechanically excavated grave	Burial where grave is excavated by hand
Funeral over 20 miles from home	Funeral within 20 miles of home	Funeral Road Miles	Funeral within 10 miles of home	Funeral within 5 miles of home
Memorial made from imported stone	Memorial made from UK stone	Memorial	Memorial made from recycled stone or wood from a sustainable source	No memorial or made from paper, vellum, leather etc. Dedicated Tree Scheme
Visits almost every day to leave air freighted flowers, plastic pots, peat, ornaments, etc	Around three visits per week to leave air freighted flowers, plastic pots, peat, ornaments, etc	Grave Tending	Regular visits, leaving UK grown flowers & other green products and/or recycling all waste	Low or no subsequent visits to grave or never leaving tributes
Visits almost every day by car	Around three visits per week by car	Grieving Road Miles	Around 6 visits per year by car	No subsequent visits or visiting on foot
Intensive mowing/high level of horticultural operations, bedding, no conservation areas	Less intensive maintenance with some conservation and native planting	Site Management	Some conservation, tree planting and limited intensive mowing	Ecological management plan, no chipboard/MDF, embalming chemicals or herbicide

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