

East Lothian Council

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1. Do you waive or provide a discount for child funeral costs?

1. Yes - waive
2. Yes – provide discount
3. No – do not waive or provide a discount ✓

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2. If No, what do you charge for the following services for a child's funeral?

1. Cremation (Please state ages applicable to and costs)

ELC has no crematoria

2. Burial (Please state ages and costs)

Interment of child under 5 = £100 Interment of person 5-17 years = £200

3. If you do waive or provide a discount for child funeral costs, please can you provide further detail on which costs are covered and from what age the discount is available from and to?

No

4. If your local authority has taken the decision to waive the fees, when did this come into force?

No N/A

5. Do you publicise your children's burial and cremation costs anywhere? If so please state where this is publicised? Online? Leaflet? Poster?

Online

https://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/info/210565/birth_marriage_and_death/12122/burial_services/1

Finally, it may help to explain that Freedom of Information legislation only applies to information which is held or recorded by a public authority. It does not apply to views, opinions, intentions or questions which simply require a yes/no answer. In view of this, some of the questions asked are not technically valid for the purposes of this legislation as they are not requests for specific recorded information that ELC may or may not hold.

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In order to assist you, however, colleagues have addressed the questions posed to the best of their knowledge. For future reference, a link to the "Tips for Requesters" page of the Scottish Information Commissioner's website has been provided which you may find useful:

<http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/YourRights/Tipsforrequesters.aspx>