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BRITISH REGISTER OF ACCREDITED MEMORIAL MASONS



The Cemetery of the Year Awards are open for entries until 30th June

Entry is free and takes 15 minutes!

New for 2026: every entry will receive a BRAMM standard certificate
BRAMM will be awarding Gold, Silver or Bronze standard certificates
rewarding you and your Team's commitment to the bereaved – great to
display in the office!

Click on the link for the CYA 2026 video: [BRAMM | Why Enter CYA 2026?](#)
Click on the link for more information and to enter: [Cemetery of the Year
Awards Information - BRAMM](#)

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The Cemetery of the Year Awards – Celebrating last year's winners



Gold Award Winners 2025- 26: Clockwise from above left: St Helen's Cemetery: Oak Hill Lawn Cemetery: Witton Cemetery: Mayfields Woodland Burial Ground



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Changes to the BRAMM Fixer Licence ID cards

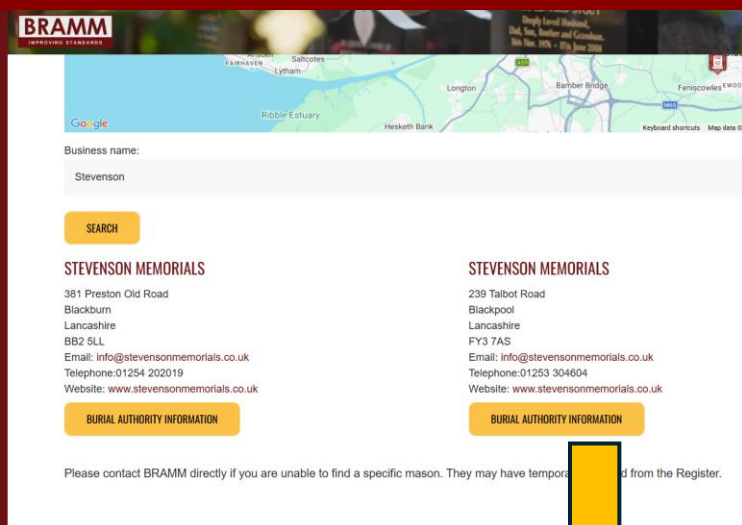
BRAMM has moved away from issuing physical Fixer Licence cards – so how will Burial Authorities check Fixer credentials?

Authorities can view online the fixers linked to each BRAMM-registered Company on the BRAMM website (no password required).

Search for a BRAMM registered business on the homepage. Click on the 'Burial Authority Information' button to see photos of the BRAMM fixers: [Click here: Home – BRAMM](#)

BRAMM accredited Fixers must still complete the free online CPD every 3 years for the Bramm Fixer Licence (BFL) to remain valid.

Need help? Please email Bramm@Bramm-uk.org



The screenshot shows the BRAMM website search results for 'Stevenson'. It includes a map of the Ribblesdale area, a search bar with 'Stevenson' entered, and two search results for 'STEVENSON MEMORIALS'. Each result includes the business name, address, contact information, and a 'BURIAL AUTHORITY INFORMATION' button. A yellow arrow points from the bottom right of the search results to the detailed information panel on the right.

STEVENSON MEMORIALS

BRAMM Registration Number: B00007
Address: 381 Preston Old Road, Blackburn, Lancashire, BB2 5LL
Email: info@stevensonmemorials.co.uk
Telephone: 01254 202019
Website: www.stevensonmemorials.co.uk
Public Liability Insurance Expiry Date: 25-Sep-2026
BRAMM Support Visit Date: 04-Mar-2024

FIXERS



F00008
James
Stevenson



F01927
John Tighe



F01558
Matthew Turner



F01926
Stephen
McDonald

BURIAL AUTHORITY DOCUMENTS

- Other: [BRAMM-HS-and-Risk-assessment-Stevenson.docx](#)
- Public Liability: [Stevenson Memorials PLI \(1\).pdf](#)

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Update on the Law Commission: Burial and Cremation Review - memorials

Under current legislation Local Authorities may put and keep in order any grave or memorial, however the provision only allows action to remove a danger due to the condition of the memorial.

The Law Commission's recent consultation process sought views on widening the power of Local Authorities to maintain memorials, and the proposal put out for consideration was that Local Authorities be permitted to maintain memorials without the owner's consent if a notice has been served at a last known address and three months elapse with no objections.

Concerns were raised in the consultation process that giving the Local Authority power to maintain memorials would mean that owners would feel they don't need to do so, and that Local Authorities should not be under a potentially costly obligation to maintain a memorial (beyond Health and Safety obligations).

The main opposition to the proposal was based on the 3-month time frame being too short – mention was made of local traditions such as visiting graves annually on Palm Sunday.

The Law Commission has now recommended that a Local Authority should be permitted to maintain a memorial without the consent of the owner if they have served notice on an owner at the last known address and display a notice at the grave site, and the owner does not object within 1 year of such notice.

It is now for the Government to review the report and consider the recommendations for reform.

Please click the link for more information: [Burial and cremation – Law Commission](#)

SLCC Training Courses



The SLCC is offering the following webinars. Please click the link for more information: [SLCC | Training, Events & Conferences](#)

Managing Closed Churchyards: 7 July and 7 October

Cemetery Matters: Looking to the Future: 22 July and 21 October

Cemetery & Churchyard Safety and Memorialisation: 14 July and 27 October

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ICCM Training Courses

Please click on the link for more information:
Training

Online course dates booking throughout 2026:

Cemetery Operations & Regulatory Compliance
Introduction to Cemetery Management for Parish and Town Clerks
SANDS: Pregnancy and baby loss – Bereavement in the workplace
CTTS Refresher and CTTS Online Mentor Sessions
Cemetery Operations and Regulatory Compliance: Scotland/England & Wales
Exhumation of Human Remains
Exclusive Rights of Burial
Public Health Funerals
ICCM & Cruse Loss and Bereavement Awareness
Establishing and Managing Grounds of Remembrance

Management of Memorials – Inspection Workshops 2026

(on site training)

Alford, Lincolnshire 19 June

Walsall, West Midlands 23 June

Peasedown St John, Somerset 3 July

Oakthorpe, Donisthorpe and Acksford, Leicestershire 8 July

North Herts, Hertfordshire 2 September

Bude Stratton, Cornwall 30 October

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