

Chestnut Lodge Pet Crematorium and Pet Cemetery - originally known as The Cemetery and Crematorium for Domestic Pets

Information

The Cemetery and Crematorium for Domestic Pets at Chestnut Lodge was started in 1969 and taken over by the present owner, Stephen Mayles, in April 1986. It is a Founder Member of The Association of Private Pet Cemeteries and Crematoria (APPCC), the only group setting the correct standards for pet cremation that protect the pet owner from fraudulent services.

When Stephen took over in 1986 it was immediately obvious that the pet cremation sector was completely unregulated and that disposal firms were using a variety of methods to give ashes back to owners and claiming they were individual cremations. Chestnut Lodge set a simple, ethical standard for individual cremations by ensuring all pets were handled correctly and the cremation of the pet carried out the way the owner expected – on its own. In the early 1990s they added a communal cremation service where a few pets were cremated together and the ashes buried in the Pet Cemetery. At all times pets have been handled with care and respect including during transportation to the crematorium. To this day Chestnut Lodge remains one of the few genuine complete cremation services in the country.

Stephen Mayles is currently the Vice-Chairman of the APPCC. He has established the first training modules for the pet cremation sector based on the procedures for human cremation. In addition he has written many articles on pet cremation with a view to making the public aware of the questions they should be asking a cremation provider.

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More more information on the history of Chestnut Lodge go to <http://www.clpets.co.uk>

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