



As before, we included an easy to follow flowchart to accompany the guidance. Together they explain, step by step, the process to follow, what statutory documentation is required and how to acquire it.

“Arranging a Muslim Funeral” is available in seven languages. English, Urdu, Gujarati, Somali, Bengali, Arabic and French. For this update we also introduced a version in Tamil for the benefit of our growing Sri Lankan community. To find out more please visit our website [www.crescent-funerals.com](http://www.crescent-funerals.com).

In recent weeks, burial space was highlighted with local authority departments by our Muslim Councillors. Cemetery space has always been of great importance to our local Muslim community. The last couple of years has sadly seen an increase in the demand of burial space due to the pandemic. This accelerated use has meant that the projected life expectancy of available burial space is decreasing and the need to identify additional space is quickly becoming a pressing matter.

Leicester City Council has since confirmed that it has been looking at potential sites to deliver a new cemetery and there are regular discussions within the estates, planning and the bereavement teams in respect of this. It is anticipated that the new cemetery site will soon be identified and will be in operation from 2025/26.



At Crescent Funerals we make every effort to create awareness about Muslim burial practices and actively promote good practice locally and nationally. During Ramadhan we were invited on a radio show hosted by Rehana Sidat on Radio Ramadhan. The program was primarily centred around men’s mental health and we discussed this topic from several perspectives, including bereavement. It was an opportunity for us to talk about the impact of the pandemic on the bereaved and the many staff and volunteers who provided support throughout this period.

Have you considered volunteering? Volunteering in bereavement services can give an individual a profound sense of purpose and community. It can change a person’s outlook on life teaching them empathy and patience. Most importantly, it grounds a person spiritually. It also continues to be one of the most revered and rewarding acts of our faith. Visit our website [www.crescent-funerals.com](http://www.crescent-funerals.com) to register.



**Want to volunteer?**

*“Alhamdulillah you guys made the process so much easier for us. I was in constant contact with SM who advised of all the stages and whats going to happen, Alhamdulillah. May Allah reward all you brothers that take time out your lives to support and help the community”*

*BK (Jan 2022)*

Crescent Funerals remains rooted in assisting families arrange and manage funerals for their loved one. Our team is driven by our need to provide bereavement services that are not only compassionate but also align with the requirements of our faith. We will be there with you throughout the entire process, supporting you in dealing with any difficulties and making all necessary funeral arrangements.

A dedicated contact number is provided should you need to arrange a funeral during normal working hours or out of hour’s.

**To arrange a funeral please call**

**07833 533 490**

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For more detailed information please visit our website.