

LEARN, CREATE, EXPLORE



Learn at Sheffield General Cemetery

Sheffield General Cemetery is a unique outdoor learning environment full of rich opportunities to spark curiosity and creativity across all ages. With listed buildings and monuments and various habitats and species across the Local Wildlife Site, the Cemetery is a place to explore heritage and nature.

Self-guided resources

Educational resources have been designed for Sheffield General Cemetery to encourage learning through dialogue and creative activities on site. Learners are given the opportunity to connect with their local historical and natural heritage which can support their learning across the various key stages.

How to use the resources

Each educational resource is designed with an overarching enquiry question that can foster dialogue throughout the learning session and can allow the learner(s) to develop curiosity around the site and the topic. You can share the question with the learner(s) at the beginning of the session and refer to it throughout. However, there is no need to directly answer the question, it is there to guide dialogue throughout the session.

The resources outline the objective of the main activity, and the equipment lists what is needed for the activity. The sections, **Prepare, Explore** and **Discover** allow the facilitator of the activity to check for prior knowledge and share information and stories about the site.

The sections, **Share, Create** and **Reflect**, provide learner(s) with an opportunity to ponder and discuss what they have discovered, create something in the outdoor learning environment and reflect, sharing their final thoughts, which may involve referring back to the enquiry question.

Where there is an orange number this indicates that there is a corresponding additional resource available to support with the learning activity. The additional resources are optional and can support a more structured visit. As much as possible, activities use materials found in the cemetery, or reusable items.

Explore the Cemetery park

You can download all of the self-guided sessions and their accompanying additional resources from: www.gencem.org/education

The self-guided resources include:

What does heritage mean?

Explore a local environment with historical and natural heritage to discover and develop connections around the concept of heritage.



Can you ever be prepared for war?

Understand contributions to World War One through the stories of local people.

Does war always change a place?

Understand the effects of war on people and places both directly and indirectly.

Can the world ever be completely free from pollution?

Discover the different types of pollution and recognise climate action as the manageable things we can do to support and tackle the climate problems we are facing.

Could a great flood happen in Sheffield again?

Find out about the Great Sheffield Flood in 1864, make links with other floods and the study of Rivers to find out more about how Sheffield is prone to flooding.

How important are the Cemetery's trees?

Find out about the different types of trees in the Cemetery and understand their role in the eco-system.



Does the Cemetery provide the ideal eco-system?

Discover which animals, insects, trees, flowers and fungi are in the Cemetery and how combined with the natural environment they all interact together to form an eco-system.

Can anything become a fossil?

Explore the role of a geologist, understanding what soil is; observing the different types of rocks within the Cemetery and understanding how a fossil is formed.

How and why do we want to remember people?

Find out about important events and people in the local area by exploring monuments and gravestones in Sheffield General Cemetery.

Where to find us



Address: Sheffield General Cemetery
The Gatehouse
Cemetery Avenue
Sheffield
S11 8NT

The Cemetery park is free and open all day every day. There are currently no public toilets on site.

Access

The historic nature of the site and the sloping landscape mean that not all spaces within Sheffield General Cemetery are fully accessible. Paths may be uneven and there are steps on some paths. To help you navigate the site and stay on the most accessible paths, there is a site map. The steep or stepped paths are indicated on the map by a pink highlight.

There is also a tactile map just inside the Gatehouse entrance, Cemetery Avenue, on the right-hand side of the path.

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Sheffield City Council Parks and Countryside Service

If you wish to make an enquiry about a visit, please contact Sheffield City Council's Parks and Countryside Service.

Contact information

Address: Centre in the Park, Norfolk Heritage Park, Guildford Avenue, Sheffield, S2 2PL

General Enquiries: [Enquiry Form](#)

Telephone: 0114 250 0500

Sheffield General Cemetery Trust

Alternatively, Sheffield General Cemetery Trust staff are in the Gatehouse office during the following opening hours:

- **Tuesday 10am - 4pm**
- **Friday 10am - 4pm**

Please take these opening hours into consideration when getting in touch.

General Enquiries: sgct@gencem.org

Telephone: 0114 268 3486

Book a led visit

If you would like to book a facilitated session, you can get in touch with freelance educator Meghan Tipping, who runs **Rooted in Talk**.



Meghan has over 10 years experience in both education and heritage. Through Rooted in Talk, Meghan aims to offer unique learning experiences that foster a love for dialogue and ignite a passion for creativity and critical thinking.

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