ICCM South West & South Wales Branch Meeting
Wednesday 29th April 2015

An invitation from Bath & North East Somerset Council
to visit Haycombe Cemetery & Crematorium

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Haycombe Cemetery opened in 1937. Some of the most interesting graves in Haycombe are the graves of those who died some 5 years later in the blitz of Bath in May 1942. It was anticipated that there would be further raids so two long communal graves were dug at either end of the area designated for the purpose of burying all civilian casualties. Known to staff as the ‘long communal’ and the ‘short communal’, both rows have a memorial detailing the circumstances of the raids. As no further raids occurred they stand in splendid isolation – come and see them.

It was built in 1961, the first cremation taking place on 2nd April of that year. The total number of cremations carried out in the first year was 897 - the average today is approximately 1,600 per annum.

Meeting Sponsor and Guest Speaker
Chris Edge, Edge IT Systems

Epitaph is a comprehensive cemetery and crematorium administration system developed and supplied by EDGE IT Systems. Epitaph, launched 10 years ago, is now in use by over 90 clients – diaries; bookings & online bookings by funeral directors; burials & cremations memorials & inspections; finance & linking with finance systems; mapping which is powered by Pear Technology.

Arrive 10 for 10.30 am start
Haycombe Cemetery and Crematorium
209 Whiteway Rd, Bath, Avon, BA2 2RQ

Please RSVP by Monday 27th April to SW & SW Branch Secretary, Ian Quance at swcsiq@gmail.com.

Any questions or areas you would like discussed at the Open Forum? You can email Ian prior to the meeting.

Please also contact Ian if you would be prepared to succeed him as Branch Secretary.