

## **Adoption of the British Register of Accredited Memorial Masons (BRAMM) Scheme**

### **The Benefits for a Burial Authority:**

- 50% representation on the BRAMM board by burial authority organisations
- Website containing details of all accredited masons and their insurance documents and risk assessments
- NO CHARGE for an authority to adopt the scheme
- BRAMM deals with masons that fail to comply with standards
- BRAMM has no commercial interest

### **What to do:**

#### **Take a report to committee and include:**

- NO CHARGES are made to burial authorities that adopt the scheme
- Adoption will remove the administrative burdens of chasing masons insurance certificates and risk assessment annually
- BRAMM is the only scheme available that has 50% representation by burial authority organisations on its management board and is therefore independent and not controlled by any single organisation
- Instances of non-compliance with standards are investigated by BRAMM following report received from the burial authority
- Disciplinary procedures are undertaken by BRAMM

#### **Following approval by Committee:**

- Inform all local memorial masons of the Council/committee decision
- Give local masons 6 - 12 months notice in which to obtain their BRAMM Fixer Licenses
- Amend cemetery regulations to require that all installations of memorials MUST be carried out by a BRAMM registered fixer
- Ensure that cemetery regulations require that all installations MUST conform to BS8415 and the BRAMM Blue Book
- Amend memorial application form to include a requirement for name of fixer and license number
- From start date only permit memorials to be installed by BRAMM registered fixers
- Download a copy of the BRAMM Blue Book (available free of charge from the ICCM and BRAMM websites)
- Any memorial failure should be compared against the BRAMM Blue Book, photographic evidence taken of the point/reason of failure and sent to BRAMM for action