

SCATTERING ASHES IN A PUBLIC PLACE

If you wish to have your relatives ashes placed at a site within public land, i.e. in the ground, or to hold a service, anywhere other than a declared cemetery, it is against council regulations.

However, if you wish to privately scatter ashes, via the wind, out to sea, or along a secluded area of the foreshore within the City of Victor Harbor, it is an individual matter which does not come under regulations, provided it is not impacting on other members of the public.

Council does ask that you provide written notification of the location, date and time to ensure that it will not adversely affect any other members of the public and have minimal impact on the environment. You can provide this notification via email to localgov@victor.sa.gov.au (please include contact telephone number).

If you do choose to privately scatter the ashes from either the Bluff, or along a secluded area of the foreshore we would ask that you exercise discernment and discretion in the process of choosing the time and date and the manner in which it is done, so that it does not draw attention or impact any other members of the public.

Please be aware that a laminated identity label of the deceased will have been placed within the container and should be removed and disposed of in a sensitive and dignified manner.

Please also be aware of your own comfort during the scattering process by considering both the wind direction and the granular consistency of the ashes.

We hope that this helps clarify the situation for you and that you are able to say farewell to your loved one remains in a manner that is meaningful to you.

If you require further information, do not hesitate to contact our Environment and Infrastructure section on phone 8551 0500.