



MALMSBURY CEMETERY TRUST MISSION STATEMENT

A. VISION.

To become recognised as a model 'B' Class, historic cemetery in country Victoria.

B. VALUES.

To provide a peaceful, contemplative and well-maintained cemetery at Malmsbury where the appropriate respect is given to the mortal remains of those pioneers of the Gold Rush era and all those who have followed and for the rites and customs of all people and all religious denominations in their funeral and burial traditions.

To create a dignified and respectful environment which provides solace for the bereaved during any funeral and thereafter as a place to visit the deceased.

The cemetery is not an isolated burial ground but rather forms specifically an important and integral part of the historic environment of Malmsbury as well as generically fulfilling its original mid-Victorian period, aesthetic and romantic ideal of *memento mori*, where life and death meet. To this end, it becomes much more than a place for solemnizing death but also one for the celebration of life and as such, a living sanctuary for flora and fauna.

C. MISSION.

The Malmsbury Cemetery Trust will endeavour to expedite the arrangement of **FUNERALS** for the bereaved by working closely with them, their undertakers and monumental masons as well as the grave diggers.

To recognise its important rôle in supplying relevant **INFORMATION** from its records to the bereaved as well as those pursuing genealogical and historical research into those interred at the cemetery.

To endeavour to locate the owners or their descendants of various gravesites that require restoration and through their assistance, maintain the historic **MONUMENTS** including all ledgers and headstones.

To take a well-informed approach to the restoration and maintenance of the lodge, fencing and **LANDSCAPE** which includes the vegetation of the cemetery and its reserve.

To work with the assistance of the **LOCAL COMMUNITY** of Malmsbury wherever possible.

To be accountable for all **PUBLIC FUNDS** and all income received and expended and to demonstrate the intention to accumulate sufficient capital through its endeavours such that the cemetery and its reserve can be maintained at a high standard in perpetuity.