

Camp Hopson Funeral Directors – Newbury

Despite a wet and grey start to the day, by the time we were ready to open our doors at 10.00am, the skies were, if not clear, certainly more promising.

Inside, we had representatives from our parish church, a probate solicitor, a humanist celebrant and a retired minister. Andrea Cook from The Positive Reception Company was ready with refreshments and members of our staff were on hand to show people around. Outside, a team from Brunswick Carriage Company were setting up a mourner's coach and pair of Friesian stallions.

Just before Midday, our MD, Jonathan Hopson, set off in the carriage to collect the Mayor of Newbury, Councillor Phil Barnett and his wife, who kindly came and looked round our premises. They, and everyone else who came along, were very impressed with the things they saw and learned from all present. People were able to look around our Chapel of Rest, Mortuary, Workshop and Arranging Lounge, and find out all about the products we use and the services we can offer. They could also talk to the professionals who came to support us, and ask questions about all manner of things. The carriage and horses proved to be very popular, especially with the children, and took several of them for short trips round the area.

Although not a success in terms of number of visitors, we at Camp Hopson believe that the day was still well worth doing, and hope very much to repeat it next year, building on all we have learned this time round.

