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### **Headford United Church Cemetery – Timeline**

- November 1850 - The land designated for a cemetery and chapel was transferred to the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada in November 1850.
- Over the years – The cemetery land changed hands several times, including a previous ownership with the name “Headford United Church Cemetery” for many years. That church no longer owns the property. There have been a few other owners in recent years.
- January 2, 2020 – September21 Inc. purchased the cemetery property from another church. The property has both a cemetery and a church, which is called Nativity of the Mother of God Orthodox Church, 9550 Leslie St., Richmond Hill, Ontario.
- June 28, 2021 – BAO sends email to the contact email address for the owner with instructions on how to apply for a cemetery operator licence, as required by law. The landowner has not taken all of the steps required to become licensed.
- July 23, 2021 – The incomplete licensing application was received by the BAO, and as of today’s date is still incomplete. (The BAO has emailed the owner about licensing the cemetery several times since 2020.)
- January 18, 2022 – The BAO was informed by a consumer of concerns regarding interment rights at Headford Cemetery for a recently deceased family member.
- January 20, 2022
  - Email from the BAO to the landowner contact with direction to provide necessary access for burial
  - Email from the BAO with contact information for previous cemetery operators on the property, as requested.
- January 24, 2022
  - Email from the BAO to the landowner – reiterating requirement to allow the burial
- January 25, 2022
  - Email from BAO to the landowner including all documents in BAO’s possession regarding interment rights at the cemetery

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- January 26, 2022
  - Registrar's Order sent to the landowner and consumer. The order says the family has valid interment rights at Headford Cemetery. The order directed landowner not to interfere and to allow the burial to proceed at the cemetery, as required by law.
  
- February 7, 2022
  - The funeral home informed the BAO that the family has decided to put off the burial until the spring. (The casket is being stored at no charge by the funeral home.)