

## Northampton Road Cemetery, Northampton Road, Market Harborough

Ref: MH/006



**Construction Date:** 1875-1878

**Architect:** Mumford and Townsend

**Original Use:** Cemetery

**Current Use:** Cemetery

**Ward:** Welland

### **Reason for Inclusion**

#### Historic Interest

Municipal town cemetery, laid out to accommodate the needs of the town as it expanded in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century. The Burial Board was established in 1875 and purchased 4 acres of land for a cemetery. The cemetery opened in 1878.

The site represents the expanded role of local government in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century as rapid industrial expansion left historic infrastructure unable to cope.

#### Architectural Interest

Designed by Peterborough-based architects, Mumford and Townsend, the layout has a central pathway leading to a pair of chapels in the centre of the site in a circular island. Decorative wall and gates survive

The green and open landscape retains its historic character.

#### Associative interest

Forms a group with the associated surviving cemetery chapels and lodge.