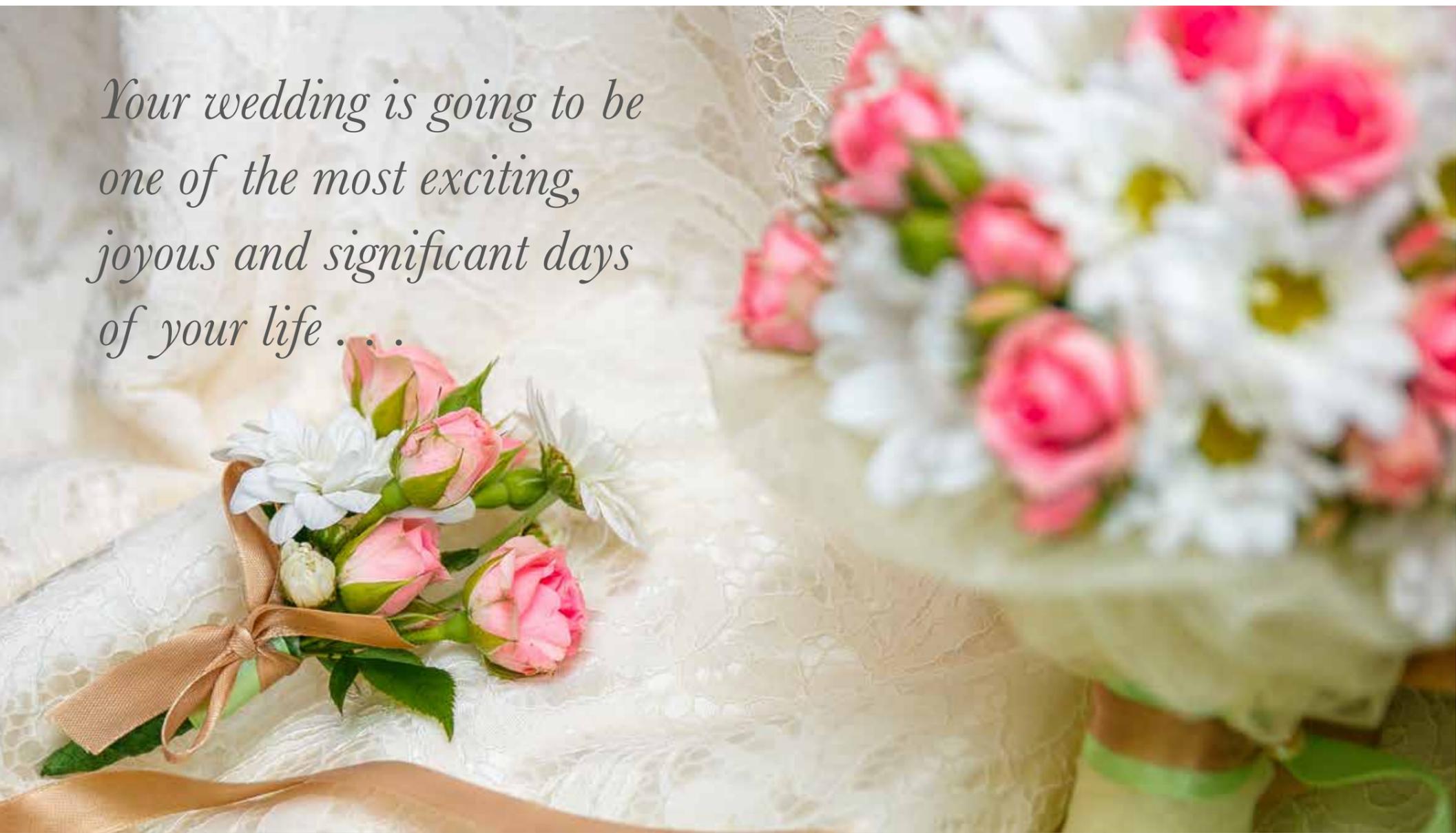


North East Registrars
Guide to
Marriage
Ceremonies



Your wedding is going to be one of the most exciting, joyous and significant days of your life . . .



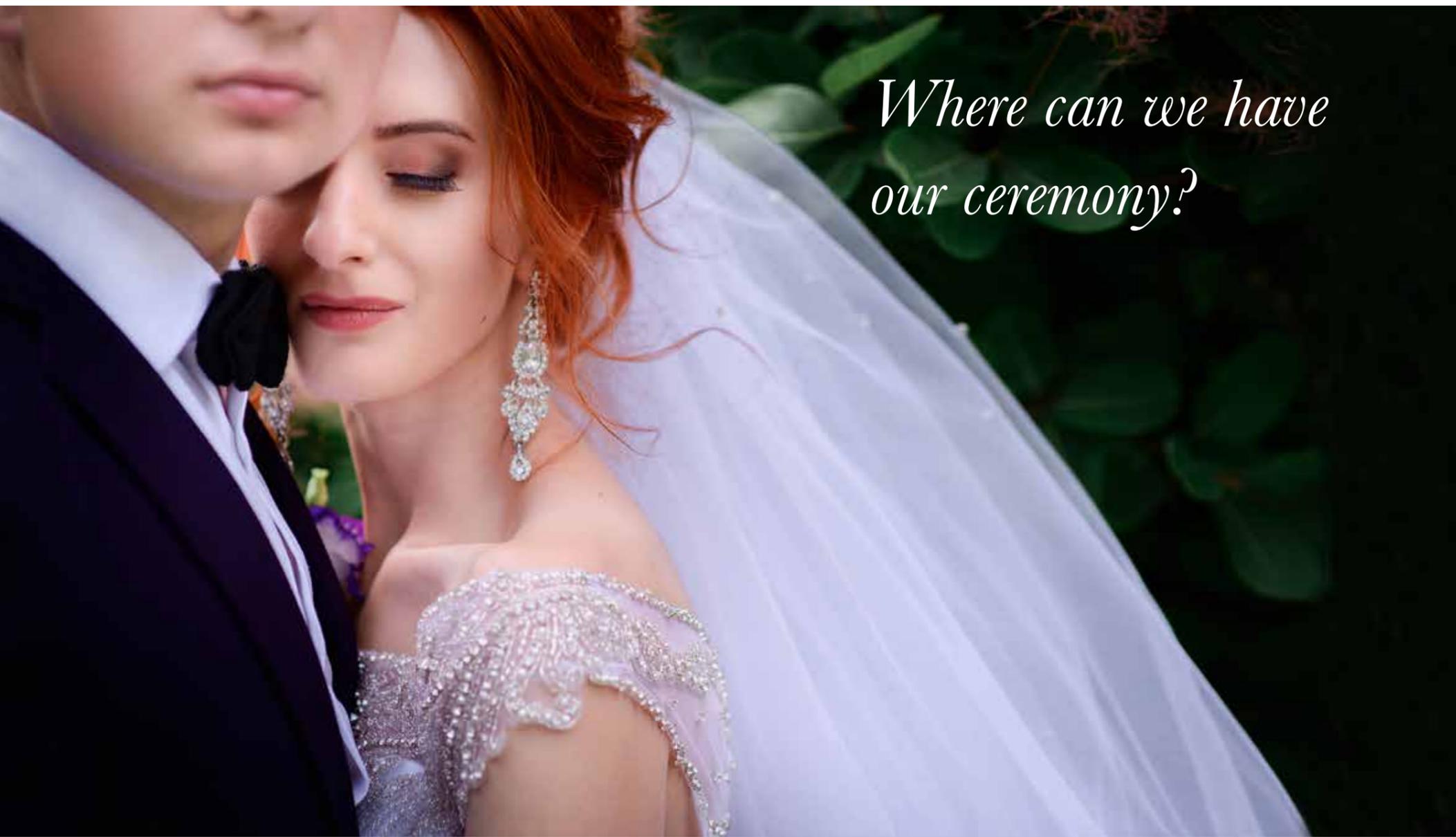
. . . a day when, in a location of your choice in the presence of loved ones, you make a solemn commitment to be forever united in marriage to that one special person with whom you have chosen to spend the rest of your life.

Every year, throughout the North East of Scotland, our Registrars delight in marrying hundreds of couples in ceremonies that celebrate their love, devotion and life-long commitment to one another. These ceremonies are diverse; often traditional, sometimes unique - but always dignified, elegant, meaningful and memorable.

This brochure is intended to help you to better understand the wide variety of options available in a modern civil marriage ceremony, and how we can help you create the wedding ceremony that's right for you.

Our very best regards, *North East Registrars*





*Where can we have
our ceremony?*

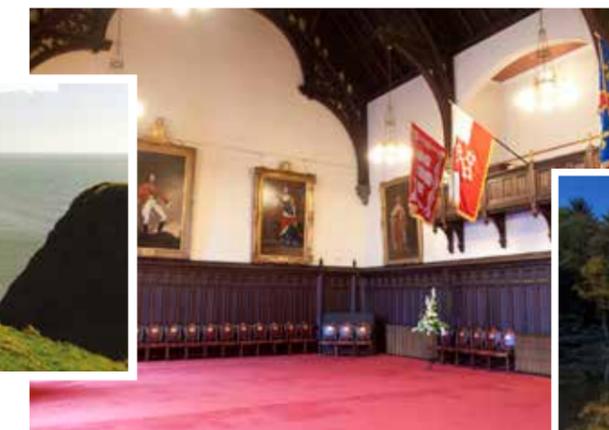
Wherever you want - it's that simple...

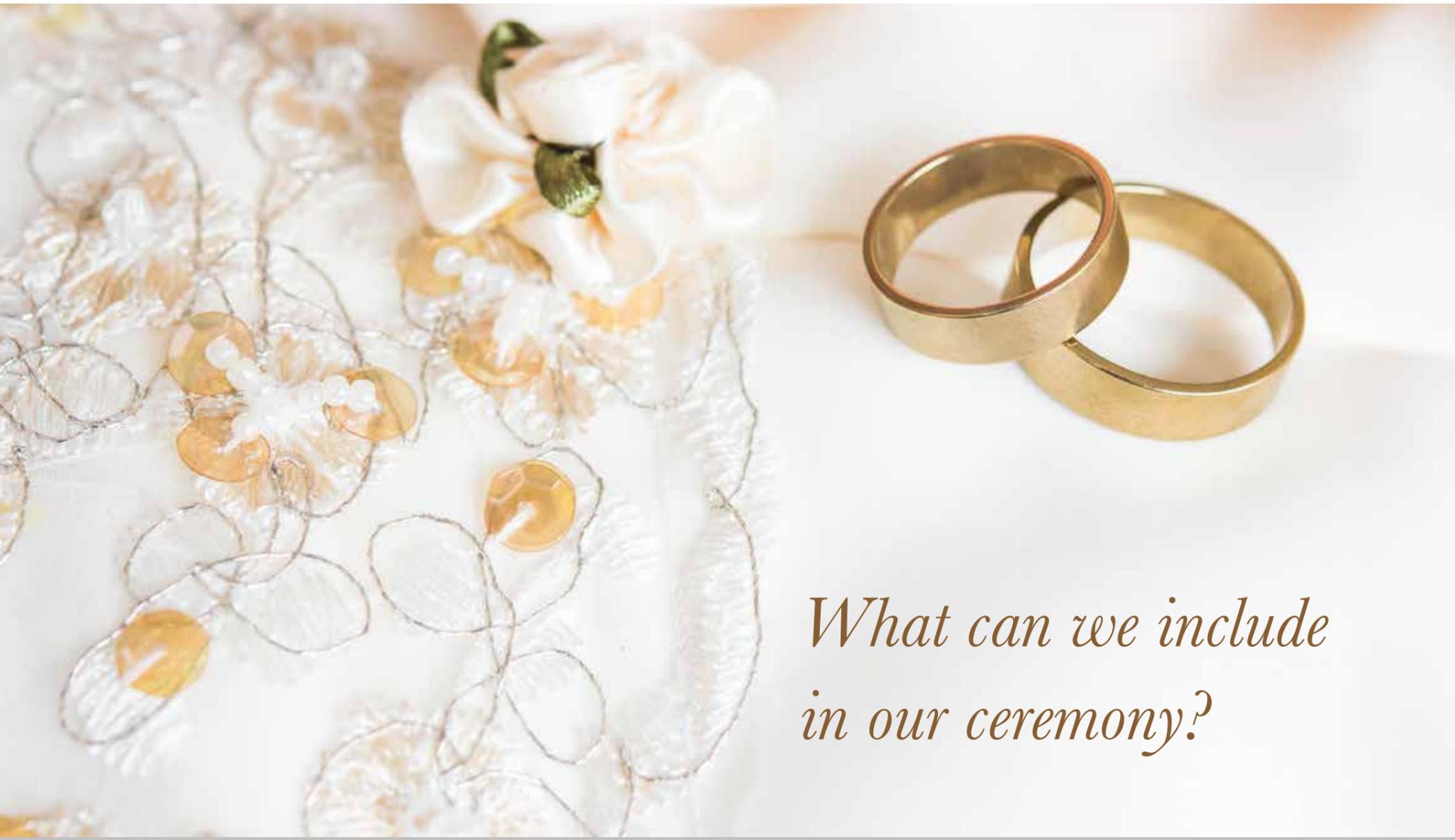
Registrars can perform marriage ceremonies in any location - providing this has been agreed with the couple, the Registrar and the venue owner.

The North East of Scotland offers magnificent historic buildings, hotels, restaurants, visitor attractions and gardens in which you can have your ceremony.

Alternatively, you may wish to be married in one of the grand civic rooms in Marischal College or the Town House or in one of our Registration Offices located throughout Aberdeenshire.

We enjoy accommodating more unusual requests too, so if you wish to be married on a beach, at home, in a distillery or at the top of Bennachie, don't hesitate to ask!





*What can we include
in our ceremony?*



Your marriage ceremony will be a unique and personal occasion that you will never forget and we will help to ensure you are happy with every element of your ceremony

To begin, we offer you a range of traditional wedding ceremonies and vows.

You are welcome to select or adapt any of these, or if you wish, you may wish to compose your own personal vows to each other.

The inclusion of readings, poetry or music can bring a personal touch to your occasion and allow close friends or family members to play a formal role in the ceremony.

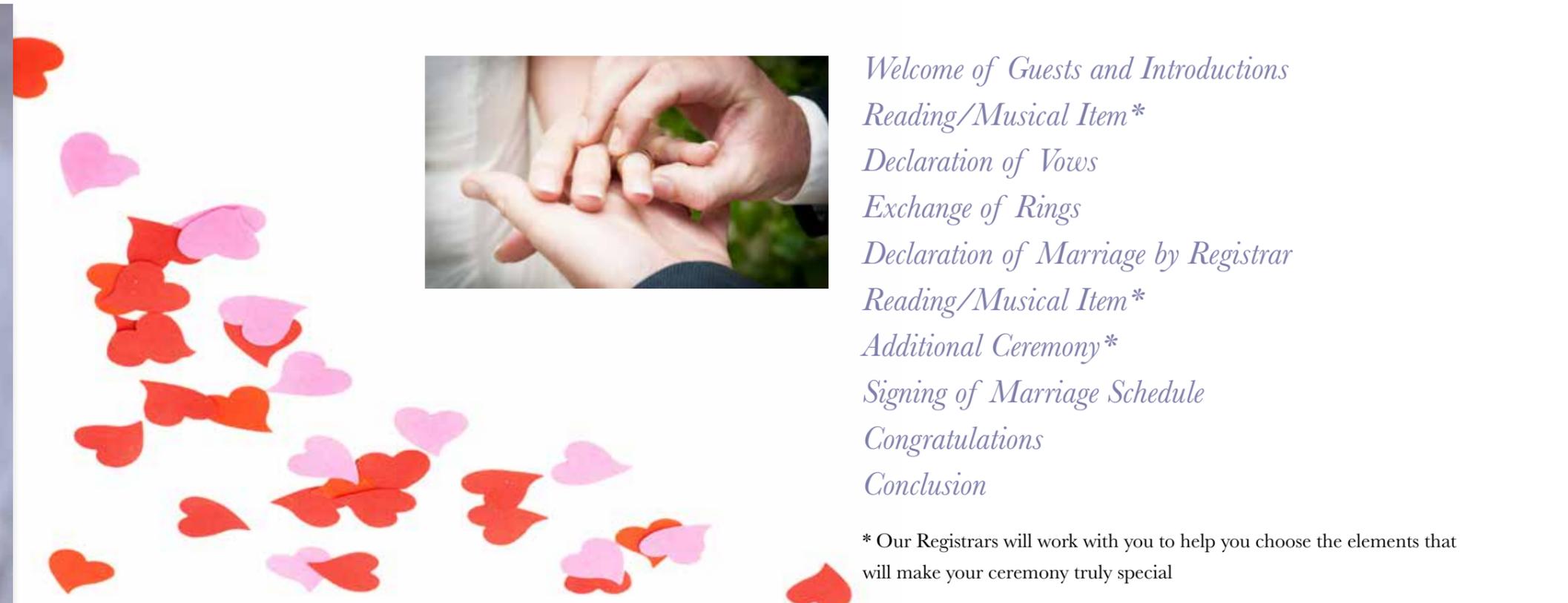
In addition, why not enhance your ceremony with the addition of a Candle, Quaich, Celtic Knot, Sand, Wine Box or Rose ceremony?

Our Registrars will be with you every step of the way, from confirming your booking to performing the actual ceremony.

NB: We do not charge any additional fee for any of the elements above.



The Order of Ceremony



- Welcome of Guests and Introductions*
- Reading/Musical Item**
- Declaration of Vows*
- Exchange of Rings*
- Declaration of Marriage by Registrar*
- Reading/Musical Item**
- Additional Ceremony**
- Signing of Marriage Schedule*
- Congratulations*
- Conclusion*

* Our Registrars will work with you to help you choose the elements that will make your ceremony truly special





*Who will
conduct our
ceremony?*

Your wedding ceremony will be conducted by one of our experienced Registrars or Assistant Registrars.

How do we book a Registrar for our wedding?

In Aberdeenshire, staff at your local Registration Office will be happy to make an appointment for you to discuss your ceremony and make your booking. In Aberdeen City, the team is based in Marischal College and would be pleased to make arrangements and discuss your marriage ceremony. A small confirmation deposit will be required; this is deducted from the total cost.

What will our ceremony cost?

Fees are listed on our website (see last page) and are based on the day, time and location of your choice. Alternatively, contact your local Registration Office.



Other celebratory services

Our ceremony services are not limited to weddings. We often receive requests to perform ceremonial duties, helping to bring a formal centre to a celebration of a life event.

We regularly perform Baby Naming and Renewal of Wedding Vows ceremonies throughout Aberdeenshire and these ceremonies are now also available in Aberdeen City.

For each, the process is similar to that of booking a civil marriage; we meet with a couple to discuss a ceremony that is right for them prior to the occasion.



Family History

At a time when marriage brings two families together, people often begin to explore their own family history. Your local Registration Office offers a Family History service, wherein an experienced member of our team will work with you to uncover your family tree, using unique access to explore registration and census records.

This is a fun, popular and fascinating subject – for more information please contact your local registration team.





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