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Byelaws

with respect to

Pleasure Grounds

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made by the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Poole, acting by the Council, with respect to the Pleasure Grounds known or commonly known as Alexandra Park, Branksome Chine Pleasure Grounds, Branksome Dene Pleasure Grounds, Branksome Park Pleasure Grounds, Branksome Recreation Ground, Broadstone Recreation Ground, Canford Cliffs Chine and Pleasure Grounds, Constitution Hill Pleasure Grounds, Coy Pond, Coy Pond Gardens, Green Park, Hamworthy Park, Hamworthy Recreation Ground, Haskell's Recreation Ground, Haven Road Pleasure Grounds, Ladies Walking Field, Lilliput Pleasure Grounds, Overlinks Gardens, Parkstone Park, Poole Park, Sandbanks Recreation Ground, The Clump, Broadstone, Whitecliff Recreation Ground, Widdicombe Playing Field and Wimborne Road Recreation Ground, all situate in the Borough of Poole.

(NOTE.—The marginal notes do not form part of the Byelaws).

1. Throughout these Byelaws the expression "the Council" means the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Poole, acting by the Council, and the expression "the pleasure ground" means, except where inconsistent with the context, each of the pleasure grounds known or commonly known as Alexandra Park, Branksome Chine Pleasure Grounds, Branksome Dene Pleasure Grounds, Branksome Park Pleasure Grounds, Branksome Recreation Ground, Broadstone Recreation Ground, Canford Cliffs Chine and Pleasure Grounds, Constitution Hill Pleasure Grounds, Coy Pond, Coy Pond Gardens, Green Park, Hamworthy Park, Hamworthy Recreation Ground, Haskell's Recreation Ground, Haven Road Pleasure Grounds, Ladies Walking Field, Lilliput Pleasure Grounds, Overlinks Gardens, Parkstone Park, Poole Park, Sandbanks Recreation Ground, The Clump, Broadstone, Whitecliff Recreation Ground, Widdicombe Playing Field and Wimborne Road Recreation Ground.

Interpretation.

2. An act necessary to the proper execution of his duty in the pleasure ground by an officer of the Council, or by any person or servant of any person employed by the Council, shall not be deemed an offence against these byelaws.

Officers of Council.

Prohibition of damage.

3. A person shall not in the pleasure ground
 - (i) wilfully or improperly remove or displace any board, plate, or tablet, or any support, fastening, or fitting of any board, plate, or tablet used for exhibiting any notice ;
 - (ii) wilfully, carelessly, or negligently deface, injure, or destroy any wall or fence in or enclosing the pleasure ground, or any building, barrier, railing, post, or seat, or any erection or ornament ;
 - (iii) wilfully, carelessly, or negligently soil or defile any wall or fence in or enclosing the pleasure ground, or any building, barrier, railing, post, or seat, or any erection or ornament ;
 - (iv) climb any wall or fence in or enclosing the pleasure ground, or any tree, or any barrier, railing, post, or other erection ;
 - (v) wilfully, carelessly, or negligently remove or displace any barrier, railing, post, or seat, or any part of any erection or ornament or any implement provided for use in the laying out or maintenance of the pleasure ground.

Beasts of Burden prohibited except by agreement, etc.

4. A person shall not bring or cause to be brought into the pleasure ground any cattle, sheep, goats, or pigs, or, except to the extent permitted by the byelaw numbered 5, any beast of draught or burden, unless, in pursuance of any agreement with the Council, or otherwise in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege, he is authorised to do so for pasturage or other lawful purpose.

Prohibition of Vehicles.

5. A person shall not, in the pleasure ground, bring, ride, or drive, any cab, wagon, carriage, bicycle, tricycle, motor cycle, motor car, motor coach, or wheeled vehicle of any description, other than a vehicle ordinarily used for the conveyance only of a child or children or an invalid, except on such carriageways or other portions of the pleasure ground as may be expressly allowed to be used by such vehicles, and may be indicated by a notice or notices affixed or set up in some conspicuous position in the pleasure ground.

Speed limit in the pleasure ground.

6. A person shall not, except with the permission of the Council, ride or drive any permitted vehicle in the pleasure ground at a greater speed than eight miles per hour.

Parking of vehicles.

7. A person shall not, place, leave, or park any vehicle other than a vehicle ordinarily used for the conveyance only of a child or children or an invalid, in any part of the pleasure ground except

in such part thereof as may be fixed by the Council and indicated by a notice or notices affixed or set up in some conspicuous position in the pleasure ground.

8. A person who brings into the pleasure ground a vehicle ordinarily used for the conveyance only of a child or children or an invalid shall not wheel or station it over or upon

Vehicles not to be taken on flower beds, etc.

- (i) any flower bed, shrub, or plant, or any ground in course of preparation as a flower bed, or for the growth of any tree, shrub, or plant ;
- (ii) any part of the pleasure ground where the Council by a notice board affixed or set up in some conspicuous position in the pleasure ground prohibit its being wheeled or stationed.

9. A person shall not affix any bill, placard, or notice to or upon any wall or fence in or enclosing the pleasure ground, or to or upon any tree, or plant, or to or upon any part of any building, barrier, or railing, or of any seat, or of any other erection or ornament in the pleasure ground.

Bill posting prohibited.

10. A person shall not in the pleasure ground walk, run, stand, sit or lie upon

Prohibition of damage to grass, etc.

- (i) any grass, turf or other place where adequate notice to keep off such grass, turf, or other place shall be placed ;
Provided that except as to such part or parts as may be set apart by the Council for the purpose of any game such notice shall not apply to more than one-sixth of the area of the pleasure ground ;
- (ii) any flower bed, shrub, or plant, or any ground in course of preparation as a flower bed, or for the growth of any tree, shrub or plant.

Flower beds, etc.

11. A person shall not in the pleasure ground

Prohibition against removing soil, etc.

- (i) remove, cut, or displace any soil, turf, tree, shrub, or plant ;
- (ii) pluck any bud, blossom, flower, or leaf of any tree, shrub, or plant.

Plucking buds, etc.

12. A person shall not in the pleasure ground

Prohibition against bathing, etc. in ornamental water.

- (i) bathe, or wash in any lake, pond, stream, or other ornamental water ;
- (ii) wilfully, carelessly, or negligently foul or pollute any such water ;

Fouling or polluting such water.

Taking or injuring fish in such water.

Displacing birds' nests, etc.

Injuring Birds.

Dogs to be kept under proper control.

Games and Sports.

- (iii) take, injure or destroy, or attempt to take, injure or destroy, or wilfully disturb any fish in any such water, or wilfully disturb or worry or illtreat any fowl in any such water or elsewhere ;
- (iv) wilfully displace or disturb, injure or destroy any bird's nest, or wilfully take, injure, or destroy any bird's egg ;
- (v) take, injure, or destroy any bird, or spread or use any net, or set or use any snare or other engine, instrument, or means, for the taking, injury, or destruction of any bird.

13. A person shall not cause or suffer any dog belonging to him or in his charge to enter or remain in the pleasure ground, unless such dog be and continue to be under proper control, and be effectually restrained from causing annoyance to any person, and from worrying or disturbing any beast, and from entering any ornamental water, and from injuring or destroying, worrying or disturbing any fowl, and from injuring or destroying any plant, fern, shrub, or tree in the pleasure ground.

14. Where the Council set apart any such part of the pleasure ground as may be fixed by the Council, and described in a notice board affixed or set up in some conspicuous position in the pleasure ground, for the purpose of any game specified in the notice board, which, by reason of the rules or manner of playing, or for the prevention of damage, danger, or discomfort to any person in the pleasure ground, may necessitate, at any time during the continuance of the game, the exclusive use by the player or players of any space in such part of the pleasure ground, a person shall not in any space elsewhere in the pleasure ground play or take part in any game so specified in such a manner as to exclude persons not playing or taking part in the game from the use of such space.

15. A person resorting to the pleasure ground and playing or taking part in any game for which the exclusive use of any space in the pleasure ground has been set apart shall

- (i) not play on the space any game other than the game for which it is set apart ;
- (ii) in preparing for playing and in playing, use reasonable care to prevent undue interference with the proper use of the pleasure ground by other persons ;
- (iii) when the space is already occupied by other players not begin to play thereon without their permission ;
- (iv) where the exclusive use of the space has been granted by the Council for the playing of a match, not play on

that space later than a quarter of an hour before the time fixed for the beginning of the match unless he is taking part therein ;

- (v) except where the exclusive use of the space has been granted by the Council for the playing of a match in which he is taking part, not use the space for a longer time than two hours continuously, if any other player or players make known to him a wish to use the space.

16. A person shall not in any part of the pleasure ground, which may have been set apart by the Council for any game, play or take part in any game when the state of the ground or other cause makes it unfit for use and a notice is set up in some conspicuous position prohibiting play in that part of the pleasure ground.

17. A person shall not in the pleasure ground

- (i) except as hereinafter provided erect any post, rail, fence, pole, tent, booth, stand, building, or other structure ;

Provided that this prohibition shall not apply where upon an application to the Council they grant permission to erect any post, rail, fence, pole, tent, booth, stand, building, or other structure, upon such occasion and for such purpose as are specified in the application ;

- (ii) beat, shake, sweep, brush, or cleanse any carpet, drugget, rug, or mat, or any other fabric retaining dust or dirt ;
- (iii) hang, spread, or deposit any linen or other fabric for drying or bleaching ;
- (iv) sell, or offer, or expose for sale, or let to hire, or offer or expose for letting to hire, any commodity, or article, unless, in pursuance of an agreement with the Council, or otherwise in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege, he is authorised to sell or let to hire in the pleasure ground such commodity or article.

18. A person shall not in the pleasure ground wilfully obstruct, disturb, interrupt, or annoy any other person in the proper use of the pleasure ground, or wilfully obstruct, disturb, or interrupt any officer of the Council in the proper execution of his duty, or any person or servant of any person employed by the Council in the proper execution of any work in connexion with the laying out or maintenance of the pleasure ground.

19. A person shall not, except with the permission of the Council, deliver any public address or hold or take part in any form of religious service or meeting or public demonstration in any part of the pleasure ground.

Prohibition against erecting posts, etc.

Beating carpets, etc.

Hanging linen, etc.

Selling, etc. any commodity or article.

Obstruction and interference.

Public Meetings, etc.

Playing musical instruments and singing.

20. A person shall not, except with the permission the Council, for the purpose of profit or gain play any musical instrument or sing in any part of the pleasure ground.

Sailing or mooring boats in lakes.

21. A person shall not, except with the permission of the Council, sail or use any boat upon any of the lakes or other ornamental water in the pleasure ground;

Provided that this restriction shall not apply to any model yacht, or toy sailing boat, of not more than seven feet six inches in length, which is sailed or used upon such part or parts of any of the lakes or other ornamental water as are specially set apart for such purposes, and indicated by a notice or notices affixed or set up at or near such part or parts.

Privacy.

22. Where the Council set apart a sanitary convenience for the use of one sex, as indicated by a notice affixed or set up in a conspicuous position near to such sanitary convenience, a person of the opposite sex shall not enter or use such sanitary convenience.

Collections prohibited.

23. A person shall not in the pleasure ground, except with the permission of the Council, solicit or attempt to collect money from persons using the pleasure ground;

Provided that nothing in this byelaw shall interfere with the operation of any regulations made under Section 5 of the Police, Factories, (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1916, for the time being in force in the Borough of Poole.

Taking of photographs for reward prohibited.

24. A person shall not in the pleasure ground, except with the permission of the Council, for the purpose of trade or reward take any photograph or make any drawing or sketch of persons using the pleasure ground.

Penalties.

25. Every person who shall offend against any of these byelaws shall be liable for every offence to a fine not exceeding the sum of two pounds.

Removal of offenders.

26. Every person who shall infringe any byelaws for the regulation of the pleasure ground may be removed therefrom by any officer of the Council, or by any constable, in any one of the several cases hereinafter specified, that is to say:—

- (i) where the infraction of the byelaw is committed within the view of such officer or constable, and the name and residence of the person infringing the byelaw are unknown to and cannot be readily ascertained by such officer or constable;

- (ii) where the infraction of the byelaw is committed within the view of such officer or constable and from the nature of such infraction, or from any other fact of which such officer or constable may have knowledge, or of which he may be credibly informed, there may be reasonable ground for belief that the continuance in the pleasure ground of the person infringing the byelaw may result in another infraction of a byelaw, or that the removal of such person from the pleasure ground is otherwise necessary as a security for the proper use and regulation thereof.

27. Nothing in or done under any of the provisions of the foregoing byelaws shall prejudice or injuriously affect any of the existing covenants entered into in respect of any pleasure ground.

Saving.

REPEAL OF BYELAWS.

28. The byelaws with respect to pleasure grounds which were made by the Council on the sixth day of September 1889, the eleventh day of January, 1901, the twenty-fourth day of November, 1905, and, on the second day of November, 1926, and which were confirmed by the Local Government Board on the ninth day of November, 1889, the twenty seventh day of February, 1901, the seventh day of December, 1905, and by the Minister of Health on the twenty-fourth day of January, 1927, respectively, are hereby repealed.

Repeal.

THE COMMON SEAL OF THE MAYOR
ALDERMEN AND BURGESSES OF THE
BOROUGH OF POOLE was hereunto
affixed this seventh day of April,
1936 in the presence of

W. Masnamore Mayor.
W. H. Rhodes Town Clerk.



The foregoing Byelaws are hereby confirmed by the Minister of Health this nineteenth day of May, 1936, and shall come into operation on the first day of July 1936.

E. H. Rhodes
Assistant Secretary.

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