

WARBOYS PARISH COUNCIL

BYELAWS

ADAMS LYONS PLAYGROUND, CHURCH ROAD

THE WEIR, HIGH STREET

SHEEP WASH, HEATH ROAD

Byelaws made by the Council of Warboys Parish under section 12 and 15 of the Open Spaces Act, 1906, with respect to Adams Lyons Recreation Field, Church Road and section 15 of the Open Spaces Act, 1906, with respect to the Weir, High Street and Heath Pond and Sheep Wash, Heath Road.

1. In these byelaws “the Council” means the Warboys Parish Council, “the pleasure ground” means the Adams Lyons Recreation Field, Church Road, “the pond” means The Weir, High Street, and “the wash” means the Heath Pond and Sheep Wash, Heath Road.
2. An act necessary to the proper execution of his duty in the pleasure ground, pond or wash by an officer of the Council or any act which is necessary to the proper execution of any contract with the Council shall not be an offence under these byelaws.
3. A person shall not in the pleasure ground, pond or wash without reasonable excuse:
 - (i) climb any wall or fence in or enclosing the pleasure ground, pond or wash, or any tree, or any barrier, railing, post or other erection:
 - (ii) 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, pond or wash.

Except in case of emergency no person shall remove, displace or otherwise interfere with any life saving appliances placed by the Council or other competent authority in any street or public place.

4. A person who has attained the age of fourteen years shall not use any apparatus in the pleasure ground which, by a notice affixed on or near thereto, has been set apart for the exclusive use of persons under the age of fourteen years.
5. A person shall not except in pursuance of a lawful agreement with the Council, or otherwise in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege bring or cause to be brought into the pleasure ground, pond or wash any beast of draught or burden or any cattle, sheep, goats or pigs.
6. (i) A person shall not except in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege bring or cause to be brought into the pleasure ground any barrow, truck, machine or other vehicle other than:
 - (a) a wheeled bicycle or other similar machine;

- (b) a wheel-chair or perambulator drawn or propelled by hand and used solely for the conveyance of a child or children or an invalid.

Provided that where the Council set apart a space on the ground for the use of any class of vehicle this byelaw shall not be deemed to prohibit the driving in or to that space by a direct route from the entrance to the ground of any vehicle of the class for which it is set apart.

- (ii) A person shall not in the ground ride or drive any vehicle at such a speed and in such a manner as to cause danger to other persons in the ground, or without reasonable consideration for such persons.
 - (iii) A person shall not except in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege ride any bicycle, or other similar machine on any part of the ground.
7. A person shall not in the ground, pond or wash remove or displace any soil or plant.
8. A person shall not in the pond or wash:
- (i) bathe, wade or wash in any ornamental lake, pond, stream or other water;
 - (ii) without reasonable excuse foul or pollute any such water.
9. A person shall not in the pleasure ground, pond or wash without lawful excuse or authority, kill, molest or intentionally disturb any animal or fish or engage in hunting, shooting or fishing or the setting of traps or nets or the laying of snares.
- This byelaw shall not prohibit any fishing which may be authorised by the Council.
10. A person shall not in the pleasure ground walk, run, stand, sit or lie upon
- (i) any grass, turf or other place where adequate notice to keep off such grass, turf or other place is exhibited;
- Provided that such notice shall not apply to more than one fifth of the area of the pleasure ground;
- (ii) any flower bed, shrub or plant, or any ground in the course of preparation as a flower bed or for the growth of any tree, shrub or plant.
11. 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 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 a space.

12. 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, 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 to 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.
13. A person shall not in any part of the pleasure ground which may have been set apart 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.
14. A person shall not in the pleasure ground drive, chip or pitch a hard golf ball except on land set aside by the Council for use as a golf link, golf driving range, golf practice area or putting course.
15.
 - (i) No person in charge of a dog, other than a registered blind person in charge of a guide dog shall, without reasonable excuse, permit the dog to enter or remain in the ground.
 - (ii) Notice of the effect of this byelaw shall be given by signs displayed in conspicuous positions at the entrance to the ground.
 - (iii) An officer of the Council or any Constable may require a person in charge of a dog which has entered the ground to remove the dog from the ground.
16.
 - (i) For the purpose of byelaw 15(i) above, the keeper of the dog shall be deemed to be in charge thereof, unless the court is satisfied that at the time when the dog entered or remained on the ground it had been placed or taken into the charge of some other person.
 - (ii) In paragraph (i) above the “keeper” shall include the owner of the dog or any person who habitually has it in his possession.
17. A person shall not, except in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege, ride a horse in the pleasure ground or wash.
18. A person shall not in the pleasure ground, pond or wash

- (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) sell, or offer to 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, pond or wash such commodity or article.

19. No person shall in the pleasure ground, pond or wash:

- (i) intentionally obstruct any officer of the Council in the proper execution of his duties;
- (ii) intentionally obstruct any person carrying out an act which is necessary to the proper execution of any contract with the Council; or
- (iii) intentionally obstruct any other person in the proper use of the pleasure ground, pond or wash, or behave so as to give reasonable ground for annoyance to other persons in the pleasure ground, pond or wash.

20. Every person who shall offend against any of these byelaws shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

21. Any person offending against any of these byelaws may be removed from the pleasure ground, pond or wash by an officer of the Council, or any Constable.

Given under our hands and seals this tenth day of July 1989

(Signed) F C Lilley L.S.

(Signed) Ruth L Mills L.S.

Members of the Warboys Parish Council

The foregoing byelaw(s) are hereby confirmed by the Secretary of State and shall come into operation on the 2nd October 1989.

Signed by the authority of the Secretary of State

C L Scoble

An Assistant Under-Secretary of State

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