

# **WOODCHURCH VILLAGE GREEN BYE-LAWS 2011**

## **1. VEHICLES**

(1) No person shall, without reasonable excuse, ride or drive a motor cycle, motor vehicle or any other mechanically propelled vehicle in the ground, or bring or cause to be brought into the ground a motor cycle, motor vehicle, trailer, or any other mechanically propelled vehicle except in any part of the ground where there is a right of way for that class of vehicle.

(2) This bye-laws shall not extend to invalid carriages.

## **2. HORSES**

No person shall ride a horse in the ground.

## **3. ERECTION OF STRUCTURES**

No person shall, in the ground, without the consent of the Parish Council erect any post, rail, fence, pole, tent, booth, stand, building or other structure.

## **4. REMOVAL OF STRUCTURES**

No person shall, without reasonable excuse, remove from or displace in the ground any barrier, railing, post or seat, or any part of any structure or ornament, or any implement provided for use in the laying out or maintenance of the ground.

## **5. FIRES**

(1) No person shall in the ground intentionally light a fire, or place, throw or let fall a lighted match or any other thing so as to be likely to cause a fire;

(2) This bye-law shall not apply to any event held with the consent of the Parish Council

## **6. CHILDREN'S PLAY APPARATUS**

Children under the age of 11 years must be supervised at all times by a parent, guardian or carer, whilst using the play apparatus.

## **7. TRADING**

No person shall in the ground, without the consent of the Parish Council sell, or offer or expose for sale, or let to hire, or offer or expose for letting to hire, any commodity or article, or provide or offer to provide any service for which a charge is made.

## **8. GRAZING**

No person shall turn out or permit any animal to graze the ground.

## **9. DOGS**

The exercising of dogs on the Village Green is permitted, but the owners are required to keep their dogs under control at all times and to clear up after their dogs. Dog bags are to be placed in the RED bins provided not in the general litter bins.

## **10. REMOVAL OF SUBSTANCES**

No person shall remove from or displace in the ground any stone, soil, turf or safety surface, or the whole of any part of any plant, shrub or tree.

## **11. REMOVAL OR INTERFERENCE WITH EQUIPMENT OR STRUCTURES**

No person shall in any way deface, remove or interfere with any equipment or structure legitimately placed on The Green.

## **12. FIELD SPORTS**

No person shall in the ground, except in connection with an event organised by or held with the consent of the Parish Council, cause the discharge of any potentially dangerous projectile.

## **13. GOLF**

No person shall in the ground drive, chip or pitch a hard golf ball.

## **14. SKATEBOARDING AND ROLLER SKATING**

No person shall, in the ground skate, slide or ride on rollers, skateboards, wheels, mechanical contrivances or equipment in such a manner as to cause danger or nuisance or give reasonable grounds for annoyance to other persons in the ground.

## **15. AIRCRAFT**

No person shall, except in the case of an emergency or with the consent of the Parish Council, take off from or land in the ground in an aircraft, helicopter, hang-glider or hot-air balloon.

## **16. POWER-DRIVEN MODEL AIRCRAFT**

- (1) No person shall in the ground, release any power-driven model aircraft for flight or control the flight of such an aircraft.
- (2) No person shall cause any power-driven model aircraft to take off or land in the ground.
- (3) In this bye-law:

“power-driven” means driven by the combustion of petrol vapour or other combustible vapour or other combustible substances or by one or more electric motors, or by compressed gas.

## **17. KITES**

No person shall in the ground, fly or cause or permit to be flown any kite in such a manner as to cause a danger, nuisance or annoyance to any other person in the ground.

## **18. METAL DETECTORS**

No person shall, on the land, without the consent of the Council use any device designed or adapted for detecting or locating any metal or mineral in the ground.

## **19. NOISE**

- (1) No person shall in the ground, after being requested to desist by an officer of the Parish Council, or by any person annoyed or disturbed, or by any person acting on their behalf continue:
- (a) by shouting or singing
  - (b) by playing on a musical instrument
  - (c) by operating or permitting to be operated any form or radio, gramophone, amplifier, tape recorder or similar instrument.

to cause or to permit to be made any noise which is so loud or so continuous or repeated as to give reasonable cause for annoyance to other persons in the ground or surrounding area.

- (2) This bye-law shall not apply to any person holding or taking part in any entertainment held with the consent of the Parish Council.

## **20. PUBLIC SHOWS AND PERFORMANCES**

No person shall in the ground, without the consent of the Council, hold or take part in any public show or performance.

## **21. EXHIBITIONS AND STRUCTURES**

No person shall in the ground, without the consent of the Parish Council, place or take part in any exhibition, or set up any swing, roundabout, bouncy castle or any other like thing.

## **22. OBSTRUCTION**

No person in the ground shall:

- (1) intentionally obstruct any officer of the Parish Council in the proper execution of their duty:
- (2) intentionally obstruct any other person carrying out any act which is necessary to the proper execution of any contract with the Parish Council; or
- (3) intentionally obstruct any other person in the proper use of the ground or behave so as to give reasonable ground for annoyance to other persons in the ground.

### **23. RIGHT OF WAY**

Nothing in or done under any of the provisions of these bye-laws shall in any respect prejudice or injuriously affect any public right of way through the ground, or the rights of any person acting legally by virtue of some estate, right or interest in, over or affecting the ground or any part thereof.

### **24. REMOVAL OF OFFENDERS**

Any person offending against any of these bye-laws may be removed from the ground by an officer of the Parish Council or a Police Officer.

### **25. LITTER**

All users of The Village Green are to clear their litter by disposing of it in the bins provided or removing it completely from the ground.

### **26. PARKING**

Cars are only to be parked on the car park and not on any part of The Green without the permission of the Parish Council.

### **27. PENALTY**

Any person offending against any of these bye-laws shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

### **28. EXEMPTIONS**

An act necessary to the proper execution of his duty in the ground by an officer of the Parish Council, or any act which is necessary to the proper execution of any contract with the Parish Council shall not be an offence under these bye-laws.

**BY ORDER OF WOODCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL**