

HAZLEMERE PARISH COUNCIL

BYELAWS FOR RECREATION GROUNDS AND OPEN SPACES

Byelaws made by the Parish Council of Hazlemere under section 164 of the Public Health Act 1875 and sections 12 and 15 of the Open Spaces Act 1906 with respect to the recreation grounds and open spaces listed in the attached schedule.

INTERPRETATION

1. In these byelaws:
"the Council" means the Parish Council of Hazlemere.
"the ground" means the recreation grounds and open spaces listed in the attached schedule.

SAVING OF RIGHTS

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

CLIMBING AND REMOVING BARRIERS AND OTHER OBJECTS

3. No person shall in the ground without reasonable excuse:-
 - (i) Climb any wall or fence in or enclosing the ground 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 the use in the laying out or maintenance of the ground.

THE BRINGING INTO THE GROUND OF CATTLE AND BEASTS

4. No person shall bring or cause to be brought into the ground any cattle, sheep, goats or pigs or any beast of draught or burden.

VEHICLES

5. (i) No person shall, without reasonable excuse, ride or drive a cycle, 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 (other than a cycle) except in any part of the ground where there is a right of way for that class of vehicle.

(ii) If the Council has set apart a space in the ground for use by vehicles of any class, this byelaw shall not prevent the riding or driving of those vehicles in the space so set apart,

or on a route, indicated by signs placed in conspicuous positions between it and the entrance to the ground.

(iii) This byelaw shall not extend to invalid carriages.

(iv) In this byelaw:

"cycle" means a bicycle, a tricycle, or a cycle having four or more wheels, not being in any case a motor cycle or motor vehicle:

"invalid carriage" means a vehicle, whether mechanically propelled or not, the unladen weight of which does not exceed 150 kilograms, the width of which does not exceed 0.85 metres and which has been constructed or adapted for use for the carriage of one person, being a person suffering from some physical defect or disability and is used solely by such a person:

"motor cycle" means a mechanically propelled vehicle, not being an invalid carriage, with less than four wheels and the weight of which unladen does not exceed 410 kilograms:

"motor vehicle" means a mechanically propelled vehicle, not being an invalid carriage, intended or adapted for use on roads:

"trailer" means a vehicle drawn by a motor vehicle, and includes a caravan.

EXCLUSIVE USE OF THE GROUNDS FOR SPECIFIED GAMES

6. Where the council has set apart any such part of the ground as may be fixed by the council and described in a notice board, affixed or set up in some conspicuous position in the 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 ground, may necessitate the exclusive use by the players of any space in such part of the ground - no person shall in any space elsewhere on the 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.

USE OF APPARATUS

7. No person who has attained the age of 15 years shall use any apparatus in the ground which, by a notice affixed on or near thereto, has been set apart for the exclusive use of persons under the age of 15 years.

DISTURBANCE TO ANIMALS

8. No person shall without lawful excuse or authority, in the ground kill, molest, or intentionally disturb any animal or engage in hunting, shooting or the setting of traps or nets or the laying of snares.

GOLF BALLS

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

ERECTION OF STRUCTURES

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

HORSE RIDING

11. No person shall except in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege ride a horse in the ground.

OBSTRUCTING OFFICERS OF THE COUNCIL AND OTHER PERSONS

12. No person shall in the ground:
 - (a) intentionally obstruct any officer of the council in the proper execution of his duties.
 - (b) intentionally obstruct any person carrying out an act which is necessary to the proper execution of any contract with the council, or
 - (c) intentionally obstruct any other person in the proper use of the ground, or behave so as to give reasonable grounds for annoyance to other persons in the ground.

PENALTY

13. 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.

REMOVAL OF OFFENDERS

14. Any person offending against any of these byelaws may be removed from the ground by any officer of the council or any Police Officer.

SCHEDULE

1. Grounds regulated under section 164 Public Health Act 1875:-

Recreation Ground at:-

Amersham Road, Hazlemere;
Rose Avenue, Hazlemere;
"The Dell" off Cedar Avenue, Hazlemere;
"The Barn" off Cedar Avenue, Hazlemere.

2. Grounds regulated under sections 12 and 15 Open Spaces Act 1906:-

Open Spaces at:-

Holmer Green Road, Hazlemere;
Sanctuary Wood, Hazlemere;
The Warren, Hazlemere.

Given under our hands and seals this 4th day of November..
1997..

Signed ... David Cox ... (Chairman)

Signed ... Judy Weaver ... (Open Spaces) -

Members of the Hazlemere Parish Council.