RIBBY-WITH-WREA PARISH COUNCIL

Byelaws made by the Council of the Parish of Ribby-with-Wrea under Section 15 of the Open Spaces Act 1906, with respect to the Village Green, Wrea Green.

Interpretation

1. In these byelaws:
   "the Council" means the Ribby-with-Wrea Parish Council;
   "the Dab" means the pond in the North West corner of the Village Green;
   "the ground" means the Village Green and two small Greens, Wrea Green.

Vehicles

2. (1) 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.

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

   (3) 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 110 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.

Removal of structures

3. 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.
Erection of structures

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

Trading

5. No person shall in the ground, without the consent of the Council, sell, or offer or expose for sale, or let to hire, or offer or expose for letting to hire, any commodity or article.

Grazing

6. No person shall, without the consent of the Council, turn out or permit any animal to graze in the ground.

Horses

7. No person shall ride or exercise a horse or pony in the ground:
   (a) between 1 October and 31 March inclusive in any year;
   (b) when the state of the ground makes it unfit for use and a notice is placed in a conspicuous position in the ground prohibiting the riding or exercising of horses or ponies;
   or
   (c) to the danger of any other person using the ground.

Protection of wildlife

8. (1) No person shall in the ground intentionally kill, injure take or disturb any animal or fish or engage in hunting, shooting or fishing, or the setting of traps or nets or the laying of snares.
   (2) This byelaw shall not prohibit any fishing which may be authorised by the Council.

Games

9. No person shall, in any area of the ground which may have been set apart by the Council for any game, play any game when the state of the ground or other cause makes it unfit for use and a notice is placed in a conspicuous position prohibiting play in that area of the ground.

10. (1) No person shall in the ground play any game:
    (a) so as to give reasonable grounds for annoyance to any other person in the ground; or
(b) which is likely to cause damage to any tree, shrub or plant in the ground.

(2) This bylaw shall not extend to any area set apart by the Council for the playing of any game.

Ratting and pollution of water

11. No person shall in the ground:

(a) bathe, wade or wash in the Dub; or

(b) intentionally, carelessly or negligently foul or pollute the water in the Dub.

Obstruction

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.

Savings

13. (1) An act necessary to the proper execution of his duty in the ground 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.

(2) Nothing in or done under any of the provisions of these byelaws 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 of interest in, over or affecting the ground or any part thereof.

Removal of offenders

14. Any person offending against any of these byelaws may be removed from the ground by an officer of the Council or a constable.

Penalty

15. Any person offending against any of these byelaws shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.
Given under our hands and seals this 15th day of January 1997

Andrew N Wareing (Chairman)

J W Dobson (Vice-Chairman)

Members of the Ribby-with-Wrea Parish Council

The foregoing byelaws are hereby confirmed by the Secretary of State and shall come into operation on the fifteenth day of August 1997.

Signer by authority of the Secretary of State

R. G. Evans
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24 July 1997

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