

Byelaws

for

PLEASURE GROUNDS, PUBLIC WALKS AND OPEN SPACES

in the District of Bradford

CITY OF BRADFORD METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

**PLEASURE GROUNDS,
PUBLIC WALKS AND OPEN SPACES**

Byelaws made by the City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council under Section 164 of the Public Health Act 1875, Section 15 of the Open Spaces Act 1906 and Sections 12 and 15 of the Open Spaces Act 1906 with respect to the pleasure grounds, public walks and open spaces named in the Schedule to the byelaws.

INTERPRETATION

1. In these byelaws:

“the Council” means City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council;

“the ground” means any of the pleasure grounds, public walks and open spaces listed in the Schedule to the byelaws.

VEHICLES

2. (1) No person shall, without reasonable excuse, ride or drive a motorcycle, motor vehicle or any other mechanically propelled vehicle (other than a cycle) 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.
- (2) No person shall, without reasonable excuse, ride a cycle, except in any part of the ground where there is a right of way for cycles, or along such routes as may be fixed by the Council and indicated by signs placed in conspicuous positions in the ground.
- (3) 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.

(4) These byelaws shall not extend to invalid carriages.

(5) In these byelaws:

“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, whether or not intended or adapted for use on roads, 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, whether or not intended or adapted for use on roads, not being an invalid carriage;

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

OVERNIGHT PARKING

3. No person shall, without the consent of the Council, leave or cause or permit to be left any vehicle in the ground between the hours of 12 midnight and 6 am.

HORSES

- (a) Where any part of the ground has, by notices placed in conspicuous positions in the ground, been set apart by the Council as an area where horse riding is permitted, no person shall, except in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege, ride a horse in any other part of the ground.

- (b) In any part of the ground which has been set apart by the Council

for horse riding, or where there is a lawful right or privilege to ride a horse, no person shall intentionally or negligently ride a horse to the danger of any other person using the ground.

CLIMBING

5. No person shall, without reasonable excuse, climb any wall or fence in or enclosing the ground, or any tree, or any barrier, railing, post or other structure.

REMOVAL OF STRUCTURES

6. 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

7. 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.

CAMPING

8. No person shall in the ground, without the consent of the Council, erect a tent or use any vehicle, including a caravan, or any other structure for the purpose of camping, except in any area which may be set apart and indicated by notice as a place where camping is permitted.

CHILDREN'S PLAY AREAS

9. (1) No person who has attained the age of 14 years shall enter or remain in the children's play area in any of the grounds listed in the Schedule to these byelaws.

(2) This byelaw shall not apply to any person who is bona fide in charge of a child under the age of 14 years.

CHILDREN'S PLAY APPARATUS

10. No person who has attained the age of 14 years shall use any

apparatus in the ground which, by a notice placed on or near thereto, has been set apart by the Council for the exclusive use of persons under the age of 14 years.

TRADING

11. 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

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

PROTECTION OF FLOWER BEDS, TREES, GRASS ETC

13. No person who brings or causes to be brought into the ground a vehicle shall wheel or park it over or upon:

- (a) 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; or
- (b) any part of the ground where the Council, by a notice placed in a conspicuous position in the ground, prohibits its being wheeled or parked.

14. No person shall in the ground enter upon:

- (a) 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; or
- (b) any part of the ground set aside for the renovation of grass or turf, where adequate notice to keep off such grass or turf is exhibited.

REMOVAL OF SUBSTANCES

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

GAMES

16. Where the Council has, by a notice placed in a conspicuous position in the ground, set apart an area in the ground for the playing of such games as may be specified in the notice, no person shall:
 - (a) play in such an area any game other than the game for which it has been set apart;
 - (b) use any such area so as to give reasonable grounds for annoyance to any person already using that area for any purpose for which it has been set apart;
 - (c) play any game so specified in any other part of the ground in such a manner as to exclude any person not playing the game from the use of that part;
 - (d) when the area is already occupied by other players begin to play thereon without their permission;
 - (e) where the exclusive use of the area has been granted by the Council for the playing of a match, play on that area later than a quarter of an hour before the time fixed for the beginning of the match unless taking part therein; or
 - (f) except where the exclusive use of the area has been granted by the Council for the playing of a match in which he is taking part, use the area for a longer time than two hours continuously, if any other player or players make known to him a wish to use the area.
17. 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.
18. (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 Byelaw shall not extend to any area set apart by the Council for the playing of any game.

ARCHERY

19. No person shall in the ground, except in connection with an event organised by or held with the consent of the Council, engage in the sport of archery.

FIELD SPORTS

20. No person shall in the ground, except in connection with an event organised by or held with the consent of the Council, engage in the sport of javelin or discus throwing or shot-putting.

GOLF

21. No person shall in the ground drive, chip or pitch a hard golf ball, except on land set aside by the Council for use as a golf course, golf driving range, golf practice area or putting course.
22. No person resorting to the golf course referred to in the preceding byelaw for the purpose of playing or taking part in the game shall:
- (a) play or take part in that game when a notice is set up in some conspicuous position prohibiting play on the golf course or any part thereof;
 - (b) commence to play, unless he is the holder of a season or periodical ticket, until he has obtained from the golf professional/agent/officer of the Council in charge of the golf course a ticket entitling him to play, which ticket shall be retained and shown on demand to any authorised officer of the Council;
 - (c) having completed a round, or desisted from playing before completing a round, commence to play again until he has complied with paragraph (b) of this byelaw.
23. No person resorting to the golf course referred to in the preceding byelaw shall on the golf course offer his service for hire as an instructor without the consent of the Council.

24. No person other than a person taking part in the game of golf or a person accompanying such a person shall, except in the exercise of lawful right or privilege, walk or run across or over or traverse the golf course.
25. No person shall on the golf course play or take part in any game other than the game of golf.

CRICKET

26. No person shall use any cricket ball, except in any part of the ground which, by a notice placed in a conspicuous position in the ground, has been set aside as an area where a cricket ball may be used.

SKATEBOARDING AND ROLLER SKATING

27. No person shall in the ground skate, slide or ride on rollers, skateboards, wheels or other mechanical contrivances or equipment, except on any part of the ground which has been set apart by the Council for that purpose and indicated by a notice conspicuously displayed.

MISSILES

28. No person shall in the ground, to the danger or annoyance of any other person in the ground, throw or discharge any missile.

WATERWAYS

29. No person shall:

BATHING

- (a) without reasonable excuse, bathe or swim in any waterway comprised in the ground except in an area where a notice exhibited by the Council permits bathing and swimming;

POLLUTION OF WATERWAYS

- (b) intentionally, carelessly or negligently foul or pollute any waterway comprised in the ground;

WATERCOURSES

- (c) knowingly cause or permit the flow of any drain or watercourse in the ground to be obstructed or diverted, or open, shut or otherwise work or operate any sluice or similar apparatus in the ground.

BOATS

- 30. No person shall, without the consent of the Council, launch, operate or sail on any waterway comprised in the ground any boat, power craft, dinghy, canoe, sail board, inflatable or any like craft.

INTERFERENCE WITH LIFE-SAVING EQUIPMENT

- 31. No person shall, except in case of emergency, remove from or displace in the ground or otherwise tamper with any life-saving appliance provided by the Council.

AIRCRAFT

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

POWER-DRIVEN MODEL AIRCRAFT

- 33. In byelaw 34:

“model aircraft” means an aircraft which weighs not more than 7 kilograms without its fuel;

“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;

- 34. (1) Where any part of the ground has, by a notice conspicuously exhibited in the ground, been set apart by the Council for the flying of power-driven model aircraft, no person in any other part of the ground shall release any such aircraft for flight, or control the flight of such an aircraft, and no person shall:

(a) cause such an aircraft to take off; or

(b) without reasonable excuse, cause such an aircraft to land, in such other part of the ground.

- (2) Where any area within a part of the ground so set apart for the flying of power-driven model aircraft is designated by the Council as an area from which aircraft may be launched and is described in a notice placed in a conspicuous position on the ground, no person shall release such an aircraft for flight, or cause such an aircraft to take off, in any part of the ground other than that area.

KITES

35. 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.

FIRES

36. (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 byelaw shall not apply to any event held with the consent of the Council.
- (3) This byelaw shall not prevent the lighting or use of a properly constructed camping stove or cooker or barbecue in any area set aside for the purpose, in such a manner as not to cause danger of or damage by fire.

FISHING AND PROTECTION OF WILDLIFE

37. (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.

NOISE

38. (1) No person shall in the ground, after being requested to desist by an Officer of the Council, or by any person annoyed or disturbed, or by any person acting on his behalf:
- (a) by shouting or singing;
 - (b) by playing on a musical instrument; or
 - (c) by operating or permitting to be operated any radio, gramophone, amplifier, tape recorder or similar instrument cause or 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.
- (2) This byelaw shall not apply to any person holding or taking part in any entertainment held with the consent of the Council.

PUBLIC SHOWS AND PERFORMANCES

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

EXHIBITIONS AND STRUCTURES

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

GATES

41. Where the Council indicates by a notice conspicuously exhibited on or alongside any gate in the ground that leaving that gate open is prohibited, no person having opened that gate or caused it to be opened, shall leave it open.

OBSTRUCTION

42. 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

- 43. (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 or interest in, over or affecting the ground or any part thereof.

REMOVAL OF OFFENDERS

- 44. Any person offending against any of these byelaws may be removed from the ground by an Officer of the Council or a Constable.

PENALTY

- 45. 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.

REVOCAATION

- 46. The byelaws made by the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of Bradford Council on 2 October 1953 and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department on 13 September 1954 relating to the pleasure grounds are hereby revoked.
- 47. The byelaws made by the Local Board for the District of Shipley acting as the Urban Sanitary Authority on 4 November 1890 and allowed by

the Local Government Board on 18 December 1890 relating to Crowgill Park are hereby revoked.

48. The byelaws made by the Urban District Council of Baildon on 21 December 1954 and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department on 24 February 1955 with respect to the pleasure ground known as The Dell are hereby revoked.
49. The byelaws made by the Urban District Council of Bingley on 20 October 1913 and confirmed by the Local Government Board on 8 November 1913 relating to Prince of Wales Park and to Myrtle Park are hereby revoked.
50. The byelaws made by the Urban District Council of Bingley on 25 March 1935 and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Ministry of Health on 15 May 1935 relating to the recreation grounds are hereby revoked.
51. The byelaws made by the Denholme Urban District Council on 2 March 1971 and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Office on 3 May 1971 relating to the pleasure grounds are hereby revoked.
52. The byelaws made by the Ilkley Urban District Council on 4 May 1938 and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Ministry of Health on 16 June 1938 relating to the pleasure grounds are hereby revoked.
53. The byelaws made by The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Keighley on 30 October 1947 and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department on 17 December 1947 relating to the pleasure grounds are hereby revoked.
54. The byelaws made by the Urban District Council of Queensbury and Shelf on 9 November 1955 and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department on 29 December 1955 relating to the pleasure grounds are hereby revoked.
55. The byelaws made by the Trustees as Managers and Directors of Silsden Playing Fields under the Recreation Grounds Act 1859 on 4 October 1939 relating to the recreation ground are hereby revoked.
56. The byelaws made by the Urban District Council of Silsden on 2 July 1963 and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Office on 30 August 1963 relating to the recreation ground are hereby revoked.

SCHEDULE

The grounds referred to in byelaw 1 are as follows:-


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| Acre Lane Recreation Ground | Carr Lane Recreation Ground (Low Moor) |
| Addingham Recreation Ground | Carr Lane - land at top (Shipley) |
| Aireworth Playing Fields | Carrbottom Road Recreation Ground |
| Albert Road Recreation Ground | Cashmere Street Recreation Ground |
| Allerton Road/Prune Park Recreation Ground | Central Park, Haworth |
| Amberley Street Recreation Ground | Chapel Road Recreation Ground |
| Apperley Bridge Playing Fields | Church Street Recreation Ground (Addingham) |
| Arctic Street Recreation Ground | Church Street Recreation Ground (Shipley) |
| Arkwright Street Recreation Ground | City Centre Park |
| Asa Briggs Recreation Ground | Claremont (land at Wrose Road) |
| Avenue Road Recreation Ground | Cliffe Castle Park |
| Backstone Way Recreation Ground | Cliffe Avenue Recreation Ground |
| Beaconsfield Recreation Ground | Cottingley Recreation Ground |
| Beldon Lane Recreation Ground | Crossflatts Recreation Ground |
| Belle Vue Gardens | Crossroads Park |
| Bentham Recreation Ground | Crowgill Park |
| Bierley Lane Recreation Ground | Cullingworth Recreation Ground |
| Bingley Road East Recreation Ground | Danehill Drive Recreation Ground |
| Bingley Road West Recreation Ground | Dawnay Road Recreation Ground |
| Birkhill Quarry Recreation Ground | Delph Recreation Ground |
| Black Hill Recreation Ground | Devonshire Park |
| Bowling Park | Dick Lane Recreation Ground |
| Brackenhill Park | Drable House Recreation Ground |
| Bradford Moor Park | Dunkhill Recreation Ground |
| Brook Hill Recreation Ground | East Morton Recreation Ground |
| Burley Recreation Ground | East Holmes Field Recreation Ground |
| Butterfield Gardens | Eccleshill Park |
| Buttershaw Recreation Ground | Eccleshill Recreation Ground |
| Canker Well, (Ilkley) Open Space | |

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| Eldwick Recreation Ground | Hirst Lane Recreation Ground |
| Emsleys Recreation Ground | Hog Holes Recreation Ground |
| Eversley Drive Recreation Ground | Holden Park |
| Foster Park | Holden Park Recreation Ground |
| Foxhill Park | Horsfall Playing Fields |
| Gain Lane Recreation Ground | Horton Bank Country Park Recreation Ground |
| Gaisby Lane Recreation Ground | Horton Park |
| Gaisby Stray Recreation Ground | Hudson Avenue Recreation Ground |
| Gilpin St Recreation Ground | Idle Recreation Ground |
| Gilstead Recreation Ground | Ilkley Memorial Gardens |
| Glenholme Recreation Ground (Mayfield Cricket Ground) | Infirmery Playing Fields |
| Granby Lane Recreation Ground | Institute Road Recreation Ground |
| Grange Park | Jenny Lane Playing Fields |
| Green Top/Jesse Street Recreation Ground | King George V Playing Fields, Marley |
| Greenbank Road Recreation Ground | Kirklands Recreation Ground |
| Greengates Recreation Ground | Knowles Lane Recreation Ground |
| Greenhill Playing Fields | Ladyhill Park |
| Greenwood Park | Langley Lane Recreation Ground |
| Grove Park | Legrams Lane Recreation Ground |
| Gypsy Street Recreation Ground | Lister Park |
| Hainworth Wood Road Recreation Ground | Littlemoor/Foster Park |
| Harden Playing Fields | Long Lee Recreation Ground |
| Harden Memorial Park | Lund Park |
| Harold Park | Menston Recreation Ground |
| Haworth Road Playing Fields | Middleton Recreation Ground |
| Haworth Road Recreation Ground | Mill Ghyll Recreation Ground |
| Heaton Hill Recreation Ground | Moor Close Avenue Recreation Ground |
| Hebers Ghyll Recreation Ground | Moor Drive (land at) |
| High Bank Lane Recreation Ground | Moss Carr Recreation Ground |
| Highfield Recreation Ground | Mumby Street Recreation Ground |
| Hill Top Recreation Ground | Myra Shay Open Space |
| Hilton Road Play Area | Myrtle Park |
| Hirst Lane Playing Fields | Mytholmes Recreation Ground |
| | Northcliffe Park/Norman Rae |

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| Playing Field | Steeton Memorial Gardens |
| North Dean Road, Recreation Ground, Keighley | Steeton Recreation Ground |
| Odsal Recreation Ground | Temple Rhydding Recreation Ground |
| Oxenhope Recreation Ground | Thackley Old Road Recreation Ground |
| Oxenhope Rose Gardens | The Dell Recreation Ground |
| Paradise, Ilkley Open Space | Thornton Park (Kipping Lane) |
| Parkwood Stadium Open Space | Thornton Recreation Ground (Wensley Bank) |
| Parkwood Street Recreation Ground | Toller Lane Boulevard Open Space |
| Peel Park | Tong Park Play Area |
| Peel Place Recreation Ground | Utley Recreation Ground |
| Prince of Wales Park | Valley Road (land at) |
| Raw Nook Open Space | Victoria Avenue Open Space |
| Rawdon Meadows | Victoria Park (Clayton) |
| Riverside Gardens | Victoria Park Keighley |
| Roberts Park | Victoria Park (Oakenshaw) |
| Royd House Open Space | Wells Promenade Recreation Ground |
| Royd Street Recreation Ground | Wesley Place Recreation Ground |
| Russell Hall Park | West Holmes Field Recreation Ground |
| School Green Recreation Ground | West View Park |
| Scotchman Road Recreation Ground | West Park, Girdlington |
| Seymour Street Recreation Ground | Westburn Avenue Recreation Ground |
| Shipley Central Park | Westgate Infirmary Fields |
| Shipley Glen Woods | Whinswood Recreation Ground |
| Silsden Road Recreation Ground | Wibsey Fair Site Open Space |
| Silsden Park | Wibsey Park |
| Spences Gardens | Wide Lane Recreation Ground |
| Springmill Street Recreation Ground | Wilsden Recreation Ground |
| St Michael's Road Recreation Ground | Windhill Recreation Ground |
| St Margarets Avenue Recreation Ground | Windyhill Recreation Ground |
| Stanbury Recreation Ground | Woodhead Road Recreation Ground |
| Stansfield Arms Playing Fields | Woodlands Recreation Ground |
| Steeton Bowling Green | |

Wrose Recreation Ground
Wyke Recreation Ground
Bierley Hall Woods
Birkey Bank Wood
Black Carr Woods
Bull Greave Woods
Chellow Dean Woods
Cock Bust Wood
Crabtree Ghyll Woods
Elam Wood
Esholt Estate Woods
Fairbank Wood
Griff Wood
Heaton Woods
Hebers Ghyll Woodland
Hirst Woods
Holden Park Wood
Holme House Wood
Judy Woods
Littlemoor Park
Low Wood
Middleton Woods
Northcliffe Wood
Old Springs Wood
Panorama Wood
Park Wood
Saxon Wood
St Ives Estate Wood and
Recreation
Area
Transfield Plantation Woodland

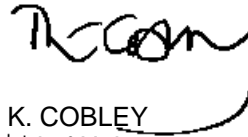
THE COMMON SEAL of
City of Bradford Metropolitan
District Council was hereunto
affixed on the 8th day of June 2000
in the presence of:-



Susan Betteridge
Authorised by the Strategic Director
(Corporate Services)

The foregoing byelaws are hereby
confirmed by the Secretary of State
and shall come into operation on the
16th day of October 2000

Signed by the authority of the
Secretary of State



T. K. COBLEY
Head of Unit
Constitutional Community Policy
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