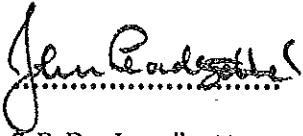




SOUTH RIBBLE BOROUGH COUNCIL  
BYELAWS  
FOR PLEASURE GROUNDS AND OPEN SPACES

I J.B.R. Leadbetter, Chief Executive of the South Ribble Borough Council being the Proper Officer for the purpose of the Local Government Act 1972, hereby certify that the attached byelaws are a true copy of the byelaws they purport to be.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'John Leadbetter', written over a dotted line.

J.B.R. Leadbetter,  
Chief Executive  
and Proper Officer

SOUTH RIBBLE BOROUGH COUNCIL

BYELAWS FOR PLEASURE GROUNDS AND OPEN SPACES

BYELAWS MADE BY THE SOUTH RIBBLE BOROUGH COUNCIL  
UNDER SECTION 164 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1875,  
SECTION 15 OF THE OPEN SPACES ACT, 1906,  
WITH RESPECT TO PLEASURE GROUNDS AND OPEN SPACES  
LISTED IN THE ATTACHED SCHEDULE I

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1. In these byelaws: "the Council" means the South Ribble Borough Council "the pleasure ground" means the pleasure grounds listed in the attached schedule 1.
2. An act necessary to the proper execution of his duty in the pleasure 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.
3. A person shall not in the pleasure ground:-
  - (i) Climb any wall or fence in or enclosing the pleasure ground or any tree or any barrier, railing, post or other erection,
  - (ii) Without reasonable excuse remove or displace any wall, fence, 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.
4. 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 any cattle, sheep, goats or pigs or any beast of draught or burden.
5. A person shall not, except in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege, ride a horse in the pleasure ground.
6. (i) A person shall not except in the exercise of any lawful agreement with the Council bring or cause to be brought into the pleasure ground any barrow, truck, machine or any vehicle whatsoever other than:-
  - (a) a wheeled bicycle or similar machine.
  - (b) a wheelchair or perambulator drawn or propelled and used solely for the conveyance of a child or children or a disabled person.
- (ii) Where the Council set aside a space, path or roadway for the use of any vehicle listed in (i) above this byelaw shall not prohibit that use.
7. A person shall not in the pleasure ground skate on ice or rollers, except on any part or place set apart by the Council for that purpose and indicated by a noticeboard conspicuously displayed.

8. A person who brings a vehicle into the pleasure ground shall not wheel or station it over or upon:-
- (i) Any flower bed, shrub or plant or any ground in course of preparation as a flower bed or for the growth of any tree, shrub or plant.
  - (ii) Any part of the pleasure ground where the Council by a notice board affixed or set up in some conspicuous position in the pleasure ground prohibit it being wheeled or stationed.
9. (i) A person shall not in the pleasure ground walk, run, stand, sit or lie upon:-
- (a) 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;
  - (b) Any flower bed, shrub or plant or any ground in course of preparation as a flower bed or for the growth of any tree, shrub or plant.
10. No person shall remove or displace any soil or plant.
11. A person shall not in the pleasure ground:-
- (i) Bathe, wade or wash in any ornamental lake, pond, stream or other water;
  - (ii) Without reasonable excuse foul or pollute any such water;
12. No person shall 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 this Council.
13. A person shall not in the pleasure ground place on any ornamental lake or pond any boat other than a model yacht or toy boat except in pursuance of an agreement with the Council.
14. (i) In this byelaw "model aircraft" means an aircraft which either weighs not more than 5 kilogrammes without its fuel or is for the time being exempted (as a model aircraft) from provisions of the Air Navigation Order.
- "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.
- "radio-controlled" means controlled by a radio signal from a wireless transmitter or similar device.

"jet-propelled or rocket-propelled" means driven by jet propulsion or by means of a rocket, other than by means of a small reaction motor powered by a solid fuel pellet not exceeding one inch in length.

- (ii) a) No person in the pleasure ground shall release any radio controlled, jet-propelled or rocket-propelled, power driven model aircraft for flight or control the flight of such an aircraft.
  - b) No person shall cause any radio controlled, jet-propelled or rocket-propelled, power-driven model aircraft to take off or land in the pleasure ground.
  - (iii) a) 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 -
    - i) Cause such an aircraft to take off; or
    - ii) Without reasonable excuse, cause such an aircraft to land, in such other part of the ground.
  - b) Where an area within a part of the ground so set apart from 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 affixed or set up in some conspicuous position on the ground, a person shall not release such an aircraft for flight, or cause such an aircraft to take off, in any part of the ground other than that area.
15. 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 in such part of the pleasure ground - a person shall not in 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.
16. 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, use reasonable care to prevent undue interference with the proper use of the pleasure ground by other persons;

- (iii) When a 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 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.

17. A person shall not in the pleasure ground:-

- (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 any person to erect any post, rail, fence, pole, tent, booth, stand, building or other structure, upon such occasion and for such purpose as may be specified in the application;

- (ii) Sell or offer or 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, is authorised to sell or let to hire in the pleasure ground such commodity or article.

18. No person shall by operating or causing or suffering to be operated, any wireless set, gramophone, amplifier, tape recorder or similar instrument, make cause or suffer 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 pleasure ground.

Provided that this byelaw shall not apply to any person holding or taking part in any band show or other entertainment held in pursuance of an agreement with the Council.

19. A person shall not in the pleasure ground drive, pitch or chip a hard golf ball, except on land set aside by the Council as a golf course, golf driving range, golf practice area or putting course.

20. A person shall not in the pleasure ground

- (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 ground, or behave so as to give reasonable grounds for annoyance to other persons in the ground.

21. The pleasure ground known as Worden Park shall be opened at the hour of eight in the forenoon and shall be closed one hour after sunset on each day. Provided always that this byelaw shall not be deemed to require the pleasure ground to be opened and closed at the hours hereinbefore prescribed on any day when, in pursuance of any statutory provision, in that behalf the Council close the pleasure ground to the public.
22. Every person who shall offend against any of these Byelaws shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level two on the standard scale.
23. Any person offending against any of these byelaws may be removed from the ground by any officer of the Council, or any constable.
24. The Byelaws listed in Schedule II to these byelaws are hereby repealed.

## SCHEDULE I

Pleasure grounds to which these bye-laws apply:-

(i) Under Section 164 of the Public Health Act 1875:

Worden Park  
Withy Grove Park  
Penwortham Hall  
Moss Side Playing Field  
Hurst Grange, Penwortham  
Farington Park  
Gregons Lane, Houghton  
The Holme, Bamber Bridge  
King George V, Higher Walton  
Hutton  
Riverside Penwortham  
Kingsfold, Penwortham  
Longton  
Tardy Gate, Lostock Hall  
Kellet Lane Playing Field  
Much Hoole  
Shrugg's Wood  
Queensway, Penwortham  
Bent Green, Leyland  
Church Wood, Penwortham  
Little Hoole  
Tom Finney Play Area  
Colt House Wood and Green, Leyland  
Meanygate  
The Grove, Longton  
St. Cuthbert's Road, Lostock Hall  
Forestway Wood and Greens, Leyland  
Todd Lane South  
Rosemead Avenue  
Peacock Hall Green, Leyland  
Downham and Peel House Green, Leyland  
Samlesbury  
Balcarres Green, Leyland  
St. John's Green, Leyland  
Haig Avenue Green, Leyland  
Low Green, Leyland  
Longton Brickcroft  
New Longton Park

(ii) Under Section 15 of the Open Spaces Act 1906:

Western Drive Green, Leyland  
Bowbrook Green, Leyland



## SCHEDULE II

1. The byelaws made by the Leyland Urban District Council on 25th November 1959, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home department on 29th February 1960 relating to the pleasure ground known as Worden Park are hereby repealed.
2. The byelaws made by the Preston Rural District Council on 30th November 1971 and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department on 15th March 1972 relating to the following pleasure grounds:

Farington Tardy Gate Playing Field, Little Hoole Playing Field, Longton Playing Field, Much Hoole Playing Field, New Longton Playing Field, Penwortham (Queensway) Playing Field, Penwortham (Havelock Road) Playing Field, Farington Lodge Playing Field, Penwortham (Hurst Grange) Playing Field, Penwortham Hall Playing Field, Penwortham Church Walk, Samlesbury (Nabs Head Lane) Playing Field, The Grove Longton, are hereby repealed.

The Common Seal of The South Ribble Borough Council was hereunto affixed this 2nd day of September 1988 in the presence of J.B.R. Leadbetter, Chief Executive and Proper Officer.

The foregoing byelaws were confirmed by the Secretary of State on 26th October 1988 and come into operation on 23rd November 1988. Signed by authority of the Secretary of State by C.L. Scoble an Assistant Under Secretary of State at the Home Office, London, SW1.