

BYE – LAWS

Made by the Urban District Council of Mangotsfield, with respect to

MANGOTSFIELD COMMONS

In the Parish of Mangotsfield Urban, in the County of Gloucester, in pursuance of a scheme made by them and approved by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, under the provisions of the Commons Act, 1899.

1. Throughout these bylaws the expression “the Council” means the Urban District Council of Mangotsfield. The expression “the Commons” means the pieces of land with the ponds, paths, and roads thereon commonly known as Mangotsfield Commons, situate in the Parish of Mangotsfield Urban, in the County of Gloucester, and referred to as “The Commons” in the scheme for the regulation and management of such Commons approved under the Commons Act, 1899, on the twenty-fourth day of September, 1835, by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries.

2. A person shall not without lawful authority deposit on any part of the Common, and road-sand, materials for repair of roads, or wood, china, carton or paper.

3. A person shall not, without lawful authority dig, cut, or take turf, sods, gravel, clay or other substance on or from the Common, or cut, fell, or carelessly or negligently injure any gorse, heather, timber, or other tree, shrub, brushwood, or other plant growing on the Common.

4. A person shall not wilfully, carelessly, or negligently, remove, deface, or injure any seat, fence or notice board or any works erected or maintained by the Council on the Common.

5. A person shall not without lawful authority post or paint any bills, placards, advertisements, notices on trees, or fences, erections or notice boards on the Commons.

6. A person shall not without lawful authority set traps, or nets, or lay snares for birds or other animals, or take birds’ eggs, or nests, or shoot or chase any game or other animal on the Common. Provided that this byelaw shall not be deemed to apply where an offence is committed against the Malicious Damage Act, 1861.

7. A person shall not without lawful authority light any fire on the Commons. Provided that this byelaw shall not be deemed to apply where an offence is committed against Section 193 of the Law of Property Act, 1925.

8. A person shall not without lawful authority draw, drive or place upon any part of the Commons any carriage, cart, caravan, or truck, motor cycle, or other vehicle or any air craft, except in the case of accident or other sufficient cause, or erect or permit to remain on the Commons without the consent of the Council any building, shed, tent, fence, post, railing, or other structure, whether used in connection with the playing of games, or not. Provided that this byelaw shall not be deemed to apply where an offence is committed against Section 193 of the Law of Property Act, 1925.

9. A person shall not except in the case of a fair, lawfully held, place on the Commons any show, exhibition, swing, roundabout, or other like thing.

10. A person shall not fire or discharge any firearm on the Commons.

11. A person shall not to the damage, annoyance or danger of any person throw or discharge on the Commons any missile.

12. Every person resorting to the Commons for the purpose of playing or taking part in any game whatsoever, which by reason of the rules or manner of playing, or for the prevention of damage, danger, or discomfort to any person on the Commons, may necessitate at any time during the continuance of the game, the exclusive use by the player or players, of any space upon the Commons, shall :-

- (a) In preparing for playing, and in playing, use reasonable care to prevent undue interference with the proper use of any space by other persons engaged in making preparation for playing or in the playing thereon ;
- (b) When the space is already occupied by other players, not begin to play thereon without their permission ;

- (c) 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 ;
- (d) 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.

13. A person shall not without lawful authority drive, exercise, or break in, any horse, on any part of the Commons.

14. A person shall not without lawful authority turn out, or permit to remain on the Commons, any cattle, sheep, horse, or other animal. Provided that this byelaw shall not be deemed to apply where an offence is committed against Section 193 of the Law of Property Act, 1925.

15. A person shall not wilfully obstruct, disturb, interrupt, or annoy any other person, in the proper use of the Commons, or hinder, or obstruct any Officer of the Council in the exercise of his powers or duties under the Scheme, or under any of the foregoing byelaws.

16. Every person who shall offend against any of these byelaws shall be liable for every offence to a fine not exceeding the sum of forty shillings.

17. An officer of the Council may after due warning remove from the Commons any vehicle, drawn upon the Commons, or any structure erected thereon, or any cattle, sheep, or other animals being on the commons in contravention of the foregoing byelaws.

18. An officer of the Council may after due warning remove or exclude from the Common any person who, within his view commits or whom he reasonably suspects of committing an offence against any of the foregoing byelaws, or against the Vagrancy Act, 1824.

Approved by the Urban District Council of Mangotsfield, this 21st day of January, 1936, and the seal of the Council was hereunto affixed in the presence of

CHARLES EVAN PERRY, Chairman.

FRANK WALLACE, Clerk.

Seal

The foregoing byelaws are hereby confirmed by the Minister of Health this sixteenth day of March, 1936, and shall come into operation on the first day of May, 1936.

E. H. RHODES, Assistant Secretary, Minister of Health.

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