

BYE-LAWS

with respect to

LYDE GREEN COMMON

in the parish of Pucklechurch, Gloucestershire

THE COMMONS ACT 1899

We, the Rural District Council of Chipping Sodbury in the County of Gloucester, acting under the Authority of the Commons Act 1899, and of every other power enabling us in that behalf.

Do hereby make the following Bye-Laws for the regulation of Lyde Green Common:-

1. Throughout these Bye-Laws the expression "The Council" means the Rural District Council of Chipping Sodbury, and the expression "The Common" means the piece of land with the ponds, paths, and roads thereon commonly known as Lyde Green Common, situate in the Parish of Pucklechurch and referred to as "The Common" in the scheme approved under the Commons Act 1899, on the third day of March 1910 by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.
2. A person shall not wilfully or improperly remove, or carelessly or negligently deface, any notice-board, plate, or tablet, or bill, or notice, or any support, fastening, or fitting of any such board, place or tablet put up or maintained by the Council on any part of the Common.
3. A person shall not wilfully, carelessly or negligently remove or carelessly or negligently deface or injure any fence or seat or other thing put upon maintained by the Council on the Common.
4. A person shall not without lawful authority turn out or permit to remain on the Common any cattle, sheep or other animals; and if any person, after being required by any Officer of the Council to remove any such cattle, sheep or other animals so turned out or permitted by him to remain upon the Common, shall refuse, fail, or neglect to so remove such cattle, sheep or other animals, such Officer may forthwith remove the same from the Common.

5. A person shall not, without lawful authority, draw upon any part of the Common other than any road or cartway on or across the same (and then only for the purpose of passing over same), any cart, caravan, barrow, truck, or machine, or any other vehicle; and if any person, after being required by any Officer of the Council to remove any such cart, caravan, barrow, truck or machine, or other vehicle so drawn upon the Common, shall refuse, fails or neglect to so remove such cart, caravan, barrow, truck, machine, or other vehicle, such Officer may forthwith remove the same from the Common.
6. A person, other than a person acting under the authority of the Council, shall not paint or post any bill, placard or notice to or upon any tree, or fence, or notice-board on the Common.
7. A person shall not at any time, without lawful authority take, dig, or cut any gravel, sand, sod, clay, turf, or other substance on, or from the Common, or carelessly or negligently injure any timber, brushwood, gorse, heather, or furze thereon.
8. A person shall not wilfully, carelessly, or negligently soil or defile any part of any building, or of any fixed or movable seat or post, or of any other structure or erection on the Common, or throw or deposit any filth, rubbish, or refuse, or cause or suffer any filth, rubbish, or refuse to fall or to be thrown or deposited upon any part of the Common.
9. A person shall not wilfully, carelessly or negligently throw or discharge on the Common any stone or other missile to the damage or danger of any person; nor discharge any firearm on the Common.
10. A person shall not at any time, without lawful authority exercise or break in, or cause to be exercised or broken in any horse on the Common.
11. A person shall not light any fire on the Common, or wilfully, carelessly, or negligently do any act which might cause any timber, wood, brushwood, gorse, heather, furze, fern, earth, paper, rubbish, or other substance to take fire or be burned on the Common.
12. A person shall not without the consent of the Council or other lawful authority, erect any post,

railing, fence, pole, tent, booth, stand, swing, building, or other structure on any part of the Common.

13. A person shall not on the Common use any indecent or obscene language to the annoyance of any person.
14. A person shall not wilfully obstruct, disturb, interrupt, or annoy any other person in the proper use of the Common, or hinder or obstruct any Officer of the Council in the proper execution of his powers, or duties under the Scheme hereinbefore referred to or under any of these Bye-Laws.
15. Every person who shall offend against any of the foregoing Bye-Laws shall be liable for every such offence to a penalty of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS. Provided nevertheless, that the Justices of the Court before whom any complaint may be made or any proceedings may be taken in respect of any such offence may, if they think fit, adjudge the payment, as a penalty, of any sum less than the full amount of the penalty imposed by this Bye-Law.
16. Every person, who, within the view of any Officer of the Council, shall commit an offence against any of these Bye-Laws or against any Vagrancy Act 1824, or who shall reasonably be suspected by any such Officer of the Council of committing any such offence, may after due warning be removed or excluded from the Common by such Officer.

The Common Seal of the Rural District Council of Chipping Sodbury as affixed hereto at a meeting of the Council held after due notice thereof this 11th day of April 1910 in the present of

(Signed) Charles Cornock, Chairman.

" Robert Wilson, Clerk.

Allowed by the Local Government Board this twenty-fifth day of May 1910.

(Signed) Noel T. Kershaw.

Assistant Secretary, acting on behalf of the said Board under the authority of their General Order dated the twenty-sixth day of May 1877.