

BYELAWS

Made by the District Council of Kingswood

with respect to

BRIDGEYATE COMMON, WARMLEY

In the parish of Siston, in the County of Avon, in pursuance of a Scheme made by them and approved by the Secretary of State for the Environment under the provisions of the Commons Act 1899

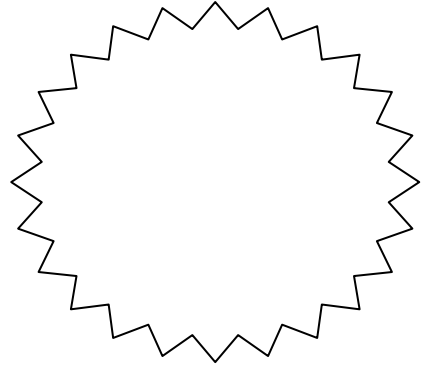
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1. In these Byelaws the expression "*the Council*" means the District Council of Kingswood; the expression "*the Common*" means the pieces of land with the ponds, paths and roads thereon, commonly known as Bridgeyate Common, situate in the Parish of Siston in the County of Avon, and referred to as "*the Common*" in the scheme for the regulation and management of such Common approved under the Commons Act 1899 on the twenty-first day of January 1980 by the Secretary of State for the Environment.
2. A person shall not without lawful authority dig, cut or take any turf, sods, gravel, clay or other substance on or from the Common.
3. A person shall not without reasonable excuse remove or displace any seats. Shelters, pavilions, drinking fountains, fences, notice boards or any other works erected or maintained by the Council on the Common.
4. A person shall not without lawful authority, post or paint any bill, placard, advertisement or notice on any fence, tree or notice board on the Common.
5. A person shall not, without lawful authority, kill, molest, or wilfully disturb any animal or bird or engage in the hunting, shooting or the setting of traps or nets or the laying of snares on the Common.
6. A person shall not, without lawful authority, draw upon the Common any carriage, cart, caravan, truck, motorcycle or other vehicle or aircraft (except in the case of accident or other sufficient cause) or erect or permit to remain on the Common, without the consent of the Council or other lawful authority, any building, shed, tent, fence, post, railing or other structure, whether used in connection with the playing of games or not, and it shall be lawful for any officer of the Council to remove from the Common, any vehicle drawn upon the Common any structure erected thereon in contravention of this byelaw.
7. A person shall not, except in the case of fair lawfully held, place upon the Common any show, exhibition, swing, roundabout or other like thing and it shall be lawful for any Officer of the

Council to remove from the Common anything placed thereon in contravention of this byelaw.

8. A person shall not wilfully, carelessly, or negligently throw or discharge on the Common any missile to the damage or danger of any person, nor discharge any firearm on the Common.
9. A person shall not light any fire on the Common provided that this prohibition shall not apply where upon an application to the Council they grant permission to light a fire upon such occasion and for such purpose as are specified in the application.
10. A person shall not play or take part in any game on the Common to the danger of any other person.
11. A person shall not, without lawful authority, ride or lead any horse, pony or donkey on the Common.
12. A person shall not, without lawful authority, turn out or permit to remain on the Common any cattle, sheep or other animals and it shall be lawful for any Officer of the Council to remove from the Common any cattle, sheep or other animal being thereon in contravention of this byelaw.
13. A person shall not wilfully obstruct, disturb or annoy any other person in the proper use of the Common, or hinder or obstruct any Officer of the Council in exercise of his powers or duties under the scheme for the regulation of the Common, approved under the Commons Act 1899 by the Secretary of State for the Environment on the twenty-first day of January 1980 or under the foregoing byelaw.
14. Every person who shall offend against any of the foregoing shall be liable for every such offence to a penalty of £50.
15. Every person who, within the view of any Officer of the Council, shall commit an offence against any of these byelaws or against the 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.
16. Nothing in the foregoing byelaws shall prejudice or affect any right of any person entitled as Lord of the Manor or otherwise to the soil or surface of the Common, or of any person claiming under him, which is lawfully exercisable in, over, under, or on the soil or surface of the Common in connection with game or with mines, minerals or other substrata or otherwise, or prejudice or affect any right of the Commoners in or over the Common, or the lawful use of any highway or thoroughfare on the Common, or affect any power or obligation to repair any such highway or thoroughfare

THE COMMON SEAL of the  
KINGSWOOD DISTRICT COUNCIL  
Was hereunto affixed this 24<sup>th</sup>  
day of April 1981  
in presence of



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Chief Administrative Officer

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Witness

The foregoing byelaw is hereby confirmed by the Secretary of State and shall come into operation on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of August 1981

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

**G. I. do DENEY**

Home Office  
LONDON, SW1.  
22 JUL 1981

I hereby certify that this printed copy of the Byelaws relating to Bridgegate Common is a true copy of the Byelaws as confirmed.

Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

Note: The leaving of litter and acts of vandalism on the Common are offences under the Litter Act 1956 and the Criminal Damage Act 1971 and the Conservation of Wild Creatures and Wild Plants Act 1975.