THE LONDON BOROUGH OF ENFIELD

BYELAWS FOR PLEASURE GROUNDS, PUBLIC WALKS AND OPEN SPACES

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Byelaws made under section 164 of the Public Health Act 1875 and sections 12 and 15 of the Open Spaces Act 1906 by the London Borough of Enfield with respect to pleasure grounds, public walks and open spaces.

PART 1

GENERAL

General Interpretation

1. In these byelaws:

“the Council” means the London Borough of Enfield;

“the ground” means any of the grounds listed in Schedule 1;

“designated area” means an area in the ground which is set aside for a specified purpose, that area and its purpose to be indicated by notices placed in a conspicuous position;

“invalid carriage” means a vehicle, whether mechanically propelled or not,

(a) the unladen weight of which does not exceed 150 kilograms,
(b) the width of which does not exceed 0.85 metres, and
(c) which has been constructed or adapted for use for the carriage of a person suffering from a disability, and used solely by such a person.

Application

2. These byelaws apply to all of the grounds listed in Schedule 1 unless otherwise stated.

Opening times

3. (1) No person shall enter or remain in the ground except during opening hours.

(2) “Opening hours” means the days and times during which the ground is open to the public and which are indicated by a notice placed in a conspicuous position at the entrance to the ground.

(3) Byelaw 3 (1) applies only to the grounds listed in Part 1 of Schedule 2.
PART 2

PROTECTION OF THE GROUND, ITS WILDLIFE AND THE PUBLIC

Protection of structures and plants

4. (1) No person shall without reasonable excuse remove from or displace within the ground:

(a) any barrier, post, seat or implement, or any part of a structure or ornament provided for use in the laying out or maintenance of the ground; or

(b) any stone, soil or turf or the whole or any part of any plant, shrub or tree.

(2) No person shall walk on or ride, drive or station a horse or any vehicle over:

(a) any flower bed, shrub or plant;

(b) any ground in the course of preparation as a flower bed or for the growth of any tree, shrub or plant; or

(c) any part of the ground set aside by the Council for the renovation of turf or for other landscaping purposes and indicated by a notice conspicuously displayed.

Unauthorised erection of structures

5. No person shall without the consent of the Council erect any barrier, post, ride or swing, building or any other structure.

Climbing

6. 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.

Protection of wildlife

7. No person shall kill, injure, take or disturb any animal, or engage in hunting or shooting or the setting of traps or the laying of snares.

Gates

8. (1) No person shall leave open any gate to which this byelaw applies and which he has opened or caused to be opened.

(2) Byelaw 8(1) applies to any gate to which is attached, or near to which is displayed, a conspicuous notice stating that leaving the gate open is prohibited.
Camping

9. No person shall without the consent of the Council erect a tent or use a vehicle, caravan or any other structure for the purpose of camping except in a designated area for camping.

Fires

10. (1) No person shall light a fire or place, throw or drop a lighted match or any other thing likely to cause a fire.

(2) Byelaw 10(1) shall not apply to:

(a) the lighting of a fire at any event for which the Council has given permission that fires may be lit; or

(b) the lighting or use, in such a manner as to safeguard against damage or danger to any person, of a properly constructed camping stove, in a designated area for camping, or of a properly constructed barbecue, in a designated area for barbecues.

Missiles

11. No person shall throw or use any device to propel or discharge in the ground any object which is liable to cause injury to any other person

Interference with life-saving equipment

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

PART 3

HORSES, CYCLES AND VEHICLES

Interpretation of Part 3

13. In this Part:

“designated route” means a route in or through the ground which is set aside for a specified purpose, its route and that purpose to be indicated by notices placed in a conspicuous position;

“motor cycle” means a mechanically-propelled vehicle, not being an invalid carriage, with less than four wheels and the weight of which does not exceed 410 kilograms;

“motor vehicle” means any mechanically-propelled vehicle other than a motor cycle or an invalid carriage;

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

14. (1) No person shall ride a horse except:

(a) in Whitewebbs Park; or

(b) in the exercise of a lawful right or privilege.

(2) Where horse-riding is permitted in any ground by virtue of byelaw 14 (1)(a) or a lawful right or privilege, no person shall ride a horse in such a manner as to cause danger to any other person.

Cycling

15. No person shall without reasonable excuse ride a cycle in the ground except in any part of the ground where there is a right of way for cycles or on a designated route for cycling.

Motor vehicles

16. (1) No person shall without reasonable excuse bring into or drive in the ground a motor cycle, motor vehicle or trailer except in any part of the ground where there is a right of way or a designated route for that class of vehicle.

(2) Where there is a designated route for motor cycles, motor vehicles or trailers, it shall not be an offence under this byelaw to bring into or drive in the ground a vehicle of that class for the sole purpose of transporting it to the route.

Overnight parking

17. No person shall without the consent of the Council leave or cause or permit to be left any motor vehicle in the ground between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m..

PART 4

PLAY AREAS, GAMES AND SPORTS

Interpretation of Part 4

18. In this Part:

“golf course” means any area within the ground set aside for the purposes of playing golf and includes any golf driving range, golf practice area or putting course;

“self-propelled vehicle” means a vehicle other than a cycle, invalid carriage or pram which is propelled by the weight or force of one or more persons skating, sliding or riding on the vehicle or by one or more persons pulling or pushing the vehicle.
Children's play areas

19. No person aged 14 years or over shall enter or remain in a designated area which is a children's play area unless in charge of a child under the age of 14 years.

Children's play apparatus

20. No person aged 14 years or over shall use any apparatus stated to be for the exclusive use of persons under the age of 14 years by a notice conspicuously displayed on or near the apparatus.

Skateboarding, etc

21. (1) No person shall skate, slide or ride on rollers, skateboards or other self-propelled vehicles except in a designated area for such activities.

(2) Where there is a designated area for skating, sliding or riding on rollers, skateboards or other self-propelled vehicles, no person shall engage in those activities in such a manner as to cause danger or give reasonable grounds for annoyance to other persons.

Golf

22. No person shall drive, chip or pitch a hard golf ball except on a golf course.

23. (1) No person shall play golf on a golf course unless he holds a valid ticket issued by or on behalf of the Council entitling him to do so, which ticket shall be retained and shown on demand to any authorised officer or agent of the Council.

(2) No person shall enter on to or remain on a golf course unless—

(a) taking part in the game of golf or accompanying a person so engaged; or

(b) doing so in the exercise of a lawful right or privilege.

(3) No person shall offer his service for hire as an instructor on a golf course without the consent of the Council.

PART 5

WATERWAYS

Interpretation of Part 5

24. In this Part:

“boat” means any yacht, motor boat or similar craft but not a model or toy boat;
“power-driven” means driven by the combustion of petrol vapour or other combustible substances;
"waterway" means any river, lake, pool or other body of water and includes any fountain.

Bathing

25. No person shall without reasonable excuse bathe or swim in any waterway except in a designated area for bathing and swimming.

Model boats

26. No person shall operate a power-driven model boat on any waterway except in a designated area for model boats.

Boats

27. No person shall sail or operate any boat, dinghy, canoe, sailboard or inflatable on any waterway without the consent of the Council except in a designated area for the sailing or operation of boats.

Fishing

28. No person shall in any waterway cast a net or line for the purpose of catching fish or other animals except in a designated area for fishing.

Pollution

29. No person shall foul or pollute any waterway.

Blocking of watercourses

30. No person shall cause or permit the flow of any drain or watercourse in the ground to be obstructed, diverted, open or shut or otherwise move or operate any sluice or similar apparatus.

PART 6
MODEL AIRCRAFT

Interpretation of Part 6

31. In this Part:

"model aircraft" means a power-driven aircraft or a glider which weighs not more than 7 kilograms without its fuel;

"power-driven" means driven by:

(a) the combustion of petrol vapour or other combustible substances; or

(b) 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 2.54 centimetres in length; or
(c) one or more electric motors or by compressed gas.

"operate" means to cause to:

(a) take off or otherwise release for flight;
(b) fly;
(c) land without reasonable excuse.

Model Aircraft

32. No person shall operate a model aircraft in any ground except in Enfield Playing Fields.

PART 7

OTHER REGULATED ACTIVITIES

Provision of services

33. No person shall without the consent of the Council provide or offer to provide any service for which a charge is made.

Excessive noise

34. (1) No person shall, after being requested to desist by any other person in the ground, make 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 by:

(a) shouting or singing;
(b) playing on a musical instrument; or
(c) by operating or permitting to be operated any radio, amplifier, tape recorder or similar device.

(2) Byelaw 34 (1) does not apply to any person holding or taking part in any entertainment held with the consent of the Council.

Public shows and performances

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

Aircraft, hang gliders and hot air balloons

36. No person shall except in case 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.

Kites

37. No person shall fly any kite in such a manner as to cause danger or give reasonable grounds for annoyance to any other person.
Metal detectors

38. No person shall without the consent of the Council use any device designed or adapted for detecting or locating any metal or mineral in the ground.

PART 8
MISCELLANEOUS

Obstruction

39. No person shall obstruct:

(a) any officer of the Council in the proper execution of his duties;

(b) any person carrying out an act which is necessary to the proper execution of any contract with the Council, or

(c) any other person in the proper use of the ground.

Savings

40. (1) It shall not be an offence under these byelaws for an officer of the Council or any person acting in accordance with a contract with the Council to do anything necessary to the proper execution of his duty.

(2) Nothing in or done under 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 lawfully by virtue of some estate, right or interest in, over or affecting the ground or any part of the ground.

Removal of offenders

41. Any person offending against any of these byelaws may be removed from the ground by an officer of the Council or a constable.

Penalty

42. 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.

Revocation

43. (a) Byelaws 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27 made by the London Borough of Enfield on 4th October 1968 and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Office on 29th November 1968 relating to the ground are hereby revoked.

(b) The byelaws made by the London Borough of Enfield on 1st May 1973 and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Office on 28th January 1974 relating to the ground are hereby revoked.
(c) The byelaws made by the London Borough of Enfield on 15th July 1975 and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Office on 14th November relating to the ground are hereby revoked.

(d) The byelaws made by the London Borough of Enfield on 13th October 1980 and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Office on 4th March 1981 relating to the ground are hereby revoked.

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

GROUNDS TO WHICH BYELAWS APPLY GENERALLY

The grounds referred to in byelaw 2 are:

Albany Park
Aldersbrook Avenue Recreation Ground
Alma Road Open Space
Ansell's Green open space
Arnos Park
Aylands Link Open Space
Aylands Open Space
Barrowell Green Open Space
Boundary Ditch Open Space
Boundary Playing Fields
Bourneside Sports Ground
Boxers Lake Open Space
Brackendale Sports Ground
Bramley Road Sports Ground
Broomfield Park
Broomfield Memorial Gardens
Bulls Cross Field
Bury Lodge Gardens
Bush Hill Gardens
Bush Hill Park
Cambridge Gardens
Camlet Way Open Space
Cheyne Walk Open Space
Church Street Recreation Ground
Church Street Tennis Recreation Ground
Churchfields Recreation Ground
Clay Hill Fields
Clowes Sports Ground
Cockfosters Sports Ground
Conical Corner Open Space
Cosgrove Close Open Space
Conway Road Recreation Ground
Covert Way Field
Craig Park
Cuckoo Hall Recreation Ground
Delhi Gardens
Durants Park
Elsinge Golden Jubilee Park
Enfield Playing Fields
Firs Farm Sports Ground
Florence Hayes Recreation Ground
Forest Road Golden Jubilee Park
Forty Hall Park Estate
Freston Gardens
Gladbeck Way Open Space
Gough Park
Grovelands Park
Grove Road Open Space
Hadley Wood Open Space
Hazelwood Sports Ground
Hillyfields
Hoe Lane Open Space
Holmesdale Tunnel Open Space
Hood Avenue Open Space
Hounsden Gutter Open Space
Hounsden Spinney Open Space
Inverforth Road Open Space
Ivy Road Open Space
Jubilee Park
Kenninghall Open Space
King George’s Field
Ladysmith Road Open Space
Lakeside Open Space
Lee Road Open Space
Library Green Open Space
Minchenden Oak Gardens
Montagu Recreation Ground
Montagu Recreation Ground Annex Open Space
New River Loop Open Space
North Enfield Recreation Ground
Oakwood Park
Odeon Gardens
Old Railway Ground Open Space
Painters Lane Open Space
Platts Road Open Space
Plevna Road Open Space
Ponders End Recreation Ground
Prince of Wales Field
Provident Park
Pymmes Park
Raynham Doorstep Green Park
Riverdale Court Open Space
Riverfront Open Space
Riverside Park
Riverside Walk Open Space
Salmons Brook Footpath
Soham Road Recreation Ground
St. David's Park
St. James's Open Space
St Michael's Green Open Space
Tanners End Open Space
Tatem Park (incorporating Hollywood Gardens)
The Dell Open Space
The Strays Open Space
The Warren Footpath
Tile Kiln Lane Open Space
Tottenhall Sports Ground
Town Park
Trinity Street Open Space
Turin Road Open Space
Victoria Road Garden
Waltham Gardens
Warwick Fields Open Space
Weir Hall Recreation Ground
Whitewebbs Park
Whitewebbs Golf Course
Wilbury Way Open Space
Winchester Road Garden
Woodcroft Wild Space (formerly known as Woodcroft Sports Ground)
Woodlands Open Space
Worlds End Lane Open Space

SCHEDULE 2

GROUNDS REFERRED TO IN CERTAIN BYELAWS

PART 1
OPENING TIMES (BYELAW 3 (1))

Albany Park
Aldersbrook Avenue Recreational ground
Broomfield Park
Broomfield Park Memorial Gardens
Bury Lodge Gardens
Bush Hill Gardens
Bush Hill Park
Church Street Recreation Ground

Craig Park
Durants Park
Enfield Playing Fields
Florence Hayes Recreational ground
Grovelands Park
Hazelwood Sports Ground
Jubilee Park
Lee Road Open Space
North Enfield Recreation Ground
Oakwood Park
Ponders End Recreational Ground
Pymmes Park
Riverside Park
Raynham Doorstep Green Park
Tatem Park (incorporating Hollywood Gardens)
Town Park
THE COMMON SEAL OF THE MAYOR
AND BURGESSSES OF THE LONDON
BOROUGH OF ENFIELD was hereunto
Affixed this 27th day of April 2011
In the presence of:-

Authorised Officer

The foregoing byelaws are hereby confirmed by the Secretary of State and shall come into
operation one calendar month after the date of confirmation

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

Paul Towers
Senior Civil Servant
in the Department for Communities and Local Government
LONDON, SW1E 5DU.

Date: 25/8/11