

The byelaws below were made on 19th January 1993 and relate to:

Alderbrook Playing Field
Goldsmiths Recreation Ground
Jarvis Brook Playing Field
Limekiln Playing Field
Silver Jubilee Playing Field
Jarvis Brook Country Park
Wolfe Recreation Ground
Chapel Green



CROWBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL BYELAWS

Byelaws made by the Town Council of Crowborough under section 164 of the Public Health Act 1875, Section 15 of the open Spaces Act 1906 and Section 12 and 15 of the Open Spaces Act 1906 with respect to the grounds listed in the Schedule to these byelaws.

Interpretation

1. In these byelaws:
 "the council" means Crowborough Town Council
 "the ground" means the grounds listed in the Schedule to these byelaws.

Opening Times

2. On any day on which the ground is open to the public, no person shall enter it before the time, or enter or remain in it after the time, indicated by a notice placed in a conspicuous position at the entrance to the ground.

Vehicles

3. (a) No person shall, without reasonable excuse, ride or drive a cycle, motor cycle, motor vehicle or any other mechanically propelled vehicle in the ground or bring or cause to be brought into the ground a motor cycle, motor vehicle, trailer or any other mechanically propelled vehicle (other than a cycle), except in any part of the ground where there is a right of way for that class of vehicle.

(b) If the Council has set apart a space in the ground for use by vehicles of any class, this byelaw shall not prevent the riding or driving of those vehicles in the space so set apart, or on a route, indicated by signs placed in conspicuous position, between it and the entrance to the ground.

(c) This byelaw shall not extend to invalid carriages.

(d) In this byelaw:

“cycle” means a bicycle, a tricycle, or a cycle having four or more wheels, not being in any case a motor cycle or motor vehicle;

“invalid carriage” means a vehicle, whether mechanically propelled or not, the unladen weight or which does not exceed 150 kilograms, the width of which does not exceed 0.85 metres and which has been constructed or adapted for use for the carriage of one person, being a person suffering from some physical defect or disability and is used solely by such a person;

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

“motor vehicle” means a mechanically propelled vehicle, not being an invalid carriage, intended or adapted for use on roads;

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

Climbing

4. 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.

Removal of Structures

5. No person shall, without reasonable excuse, remove from or displace in the ground any barrier, railing, post or seat, or any part of any structure or ornament, or any implement provided for use in the laying out or maintenance of the ground.

Erection of Structures

6. No person shall in the ground, without the consent of the Council, erect any post, rail, fence, pole, tent, booth, stand, building or other structure.

Trading

7. No person shall in the ground, without the consent of the Council, sell, or offer or expose for sale, or let to hire, or offer or expose for letting to hire, any commodity or articles.

Grazing

8. No person shall, without the consent of the Council, turn out or permit any animal to graze in the ground.

Protection of Flower Beds, Trees, Grass etc

9. No Person who bring or causes to be brought into the ground any vehicle, shall wheel or park it over or upon:
 - (a) Any flower bed, shrub or plant, or any ground in the course of preparation as a flower bed or for the growth of any tree, shrub or plant; or
 - (b) Any part of the ground where the Council, by a notice placed in a conspicuous position in the ground, prohibits its being wheeled or parked.

10. No person shall in the ground enter upon:

- (a) Any flower bed, shrub or plant, or any ground in the course of the preparation as a flower bed, or for the growth of any tree, shrub or plant; or
- (b) Any part of the ground set aside for the renovation of grass or turf, where adequate notice to keep off such grass or turf is exhibited.

Games

11. Where the Council has, by notice placed in a conspicuous position in the ground, set apart an area in the ground for the playing of such games as may be specified in the notice, no person shall:

- (a) Play in such an area any game other than the games for which it has been set apart.
- (b) Use any such area so as to give reasonable grounds for annoyance to any person already using that area for any purpose for which it has been set apart; or
- (c) Play any game so specified in any other part of the ground in such a manner as to exclude any person not playing the game from the use of that part.

12. No person shall, in any area of the ground which may have been set apart by the council for any game, play any game when the state of the ground or other cause makes it unfit for use and a notice is placed in a conspicuous position prohibiting play in that area of the ground.

13. (1) No person shall in the ground play any game:

- (a) So as to give reasonable grounds for annoyance to any other person in the grounds; or
- (b) Which is likely to cause damage to any tree, shrub or plant in the ground.

(2) This byelaw shall not extend to any area set apart by the Council for the playing of any game.

Bathing & Pollution of water

14. No person shall in the ground:

- (a) Bathe, wade or wash in any ornamental lake, pond, stream or other water; or
- (b) Intentionally, carelessly or negligently foul or pollute any such water.

Fire

15. (1) No person shall in the ground intentionally light a fire or place, throw or let fall a lighted match or any other thing likely to cause fire.

(2) This byelaw shall not prevent the lighting or use of a properly constructed camping stove or cooker in any area set aside for the purpose, in such a manner as not to cause danger of or damage by fire.

Camping

16. No person shall in the ground, without the consent of the Council, erect any tent or use any vehicle, including a caravan, or any other structure for the purpose of camping, except on any area which may be set apart and indicated by notice as a place where camping is permitted.

Gates

17. Where the Council indicate by a notice conspicuously exhibited on or alongside any gate in the ground that leaving that gate open is prohibited no person having opened that gate, or cause it to be opened, shall leave it open.

Protection of Wildlife

18. (1) No person shall in the ground intentionally kill, injure, take or disturb any animal or fish, or engage in hunting, shooting or fishing, or the setting of traps or nets or laying of snares.
- (2) This byelaw shall not prohibit any fishing which may be authorised by the Council.

Horses

19. No person shall, except in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege, ride a horse in the ground.

Golf

20. No person shall in the ground, drive, chip or pitch a hard golf ball except on land set aside the Council for the use as a golf course, golf driving range, golf practice area or putting ground.

Noise

21. (1) In the ground:

No person shall, after being requested to desist by any constable, or by any person annoyed or disturbed, or by any person acting on his behalf:

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

cause or permit to be made any noise which is so loud or so continuous or repeated as to give reasonable cause for annoyance to the other persons in the ground.

(2) Provided that this byelaw shall not apply to properly conducted religious services.

(3) Provided that this byelaw shall not apply to any person holding or taking part in any entertainment held in pursuance of a lawful agreement with the Council.

Missiles

22. No person shall, to the danger or annoyance of any other person in the ground, throw or discharge any missile.

Obstruction

23. No person shall in the ground:

- (a) intentionally obstruct any officer of the Council in the proper execution of his duties;
- (b) intentionally obstruct any person carrying out an act which is necessary to the proper execution of any contract with the Council; or
- (c) Intentionally obstruct any other person in the proper use of the ground , or behave so as to give reasonable grounds, or behave so as to give reasonable grounds for annoyance to other persons in the ground.

Savings

24. (1) An act necessary to the proper execution of his duty in the 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

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

Removal of Offenders

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

Penalty

26. 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

27. (1) The byelaws made by Crowborough Parish Council on 8 May 1906 and confirmation by the Local Government Board on 20 June 1906 relating to Wolfe Recreation Ground are hereby revoked.

Schedule

The 'grounds' referred to in byelaw 1 are as follows:

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