

Pontefract Corporation.

BYE-LAWS

WITH RESPECT TO THE

PLEASURE GROUND

KNOWN AS

PONTEFRACT PARK.

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BYELAWS

made by the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Pontefract, acting by the Council, with respect to the PLEASURE GROUND known as PONTEFRACT PARK.

1. Throughout these byelaws the expression "the Council" means the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Pontefract acting by the Council, and the expression "the pleasure ground" means the pleasure ground known as Pontefract Park with the exception of such part or parts thereof as shall be for the time being in lease to any company or person to whom the Council may from time to time have leased the same pursuant to the powers vested in them by the Pontefract Corporation Act, 1906, in that behalf.

2. The provisions contained in the following byelaws numbered 10, 13, 15 and 27, shall not be deemed to apply to any officer of the Council in the proper execution of his duty or to any person or servant of any person employed by the Council in the proper execution of any work in connection with the laying out or maintenance of the pleasure ground.

3. A person other than a servant of the Council shall not enter or remain in any museum, conservatory, aviary, bandstand, shelter, or other like structure in the pleasure ground during such times as the same may be closed by order of the Council. Provided that the closing of any such structure shall be during such reasonable hours as shall be notified by a notice or notices to be affixed or set up in a conspicuous position at or near the entrance thereto.

4. A person shall not wilfully or improperly remove or displace any board, plate, or tablet, or any support, fastening, or fitting of any board, plate, or tablet used or constructed or adapted to be used for the exhibition of any byelaw or notice, and fixed or set up by the Council in any part of the pleasure ground, or in or on any building or structure therein, or at or near to any one of the appointed means of entrance to or egress from the pleasure ground, or in or on any wall or fence enclosing the pleasure ground.

5. A person shall not carelessly or negligently deface, injure, or destroy any part of any wall or fence in or enclosing the pleasure ground, or any part of any building, barrier, railing, post, or seat, or of any other erection or ornament in the pleasure ground.

6. A person shall not wilfully, carelessly, or negligently remove or displace any barrier, railing, post, or seat, or any part of any other erection or ornament, or any implement provided for use in the laying out or maintenance of the pleasure ground.

7. A person shall not at any time bring or cause or suffer to be brought into the pleasure ground any beast of draught or burden: Provided that the foregoing prohibition shall not apply in any case where upon an application to the Council or their duly authorised officer for permission to bring or cause or suffer to be brought into the pleasure ground any such beast the Council or their duly authorised officer may deem fit to grant such permission.

8. A person shall not use any swing apparatus or appliance provided by the Council in the pleasure ground for any other purpose than that for which such swing apparatus or appliance was provided.

9. A person shall not bring or cause to be brought into the pleasure ground any cattle, goats, or pigs, unless, in pursuance of an agreement with the Council, or otherwise in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege, such person may be duly authorized to drive or bring any such animal or to cause any such animal to be driven or brought into the pleasure ground for pasturage or for any other lawful purpose.

10. A person shall not bring or cause to be brought into the pleasure ground any barrow, truck, or machine, or any vehicle other than a wheeled chair drawn or propelled by hand, or a perambulator or a chaise drawn or propelled by hand and used solely for the conveyance of a child or children, or an invalid :

Provided that where the Council set apart any such part of the pleasure ground as may be fixed by the Council and may be described in a notice board affixed or set up in some conspicuous position in the pleasure ground, for the use of bicycles, tricycles, or other similar machines, this byelaw shall not be

deemed to prohibit the driving or wheeling of any bicycle, tricycle, or other similar machine, in or to such part of the pleasure ground.

11. A person who shall bring into the pleasure ground a wheeled chair drawn or propelled by hand, or a perambulator or a chaise drawn or propelled by hand and used solely for the conveyance of a child or children, or an invalid, shall not at any time wheel or station such chair, perambulator, or chaise over or upon any flower bed, shrub, or plant, or any ground in course of preparation as a flower bed, or for the growth of any tree, shrub, or plant.

Where the Council prohibit the use by any such wheeled chair, perambulator, or chaise of any such part of the pleasure ground as may be fixed by the Council and may be described in a notice board affixed or set up in some conspicuous position in the pleasure ground, a person shall not wheel or station any such chair, perambulator, or chaise over or upon such part of the pleasure ground.

12. A person, other than an officer of the Council, or a person acting in pursuance of their directions in that behalf, shall not affix or post any bill, placard, or notice to or upon any wall or fence in or enclosing the pleasure ground, or to or upon any tree, or plant, or to or upon any part of any building, barrier, or railing, or of any seat, or of any other erection or ornament in the pleasure ground.

13. A person shall not at any time, in any part of the pleasure ground, walk, run, stand, sit, or lie upon any flower bed, shrub, or plant, or any ground in course of preparation as a flower bed, or for the growth of any tree, shrub, or plant.

14. A person shall not at any time, in any part of the pleasure ground, remove, cut or displace any soil, turf or plant.

15. A person shall not at any time, in any part of the pleasure ground, pluck any bud, blossom, flower, or leaf of any tree, shrub, or plant.

16. A person shall not wilfully, carelessly, or negligently soil or defile any part of any wall or fence in or enclosing the pleasure ground, or any part of any building, barrier, railing,

post or seat, or of any other erection or ornament in the pleasure ground, or wilfully, carelessly, or negligently throw or deposit any filth, rubbish, or refuse upon any part of the pleasure ground.

17. A person shall not wilfully, carelessly, or negligently throw or discharge in the pleasure ground any stone or other missile to the damage or danger of any person.

18. A person shall not climb any wall or fence in or enclosing the pleasure ground, or any tree, or any barrier, railing, post, or other erection in the pleasure ground.

19. A person shall not bathe, wade, or wash in any lake, pond, stream, or other ornamental water in the pleasure ground, or wilfully, carelessly, or negligently foul or pollute any such water, or take, injure, or destroy, or attempt to take, injure, or destroy, or wilfully disturb any fish in any such water, or wilfully disturb or worry or illtreat any fowl in any such water, or elsewhere in the pleasure ground: Provided that the foregoing prohibition shall not apply in any case where upon an application to the Council or their duly authorised officer for permission to bathe or fish in any lake, pond, stream, or other ornamental water in the pleasure ground, the Council or their duly authorised officer may deem fit to grant such permission.

20. A person shall not use any boat, or in any way attempt to use any boat in any lake, pond, stream or other ornamental water in the pleasure ground: Provided that the foregoing prohibition shall not be deemed to apply in any case where upon application to the Council or their duly authorised officer for permission to use any boat provided by them, the Council or their duly authorised officer may grant such permission.

21. A person shall not, in any part of the pleasure ground, wilfully displace or disturb, injure, or destroy any bird's nest, or wilfully take, injure, or destroy any bird's egg.

22. A person shall not, in any part of the pleasure ground take, injure, or destroy any bird, or spread or use any net, or set or use any snare or other engine, instrument, or means for the taking, injury, or destruction of any bird.

23. A person shall not cause or suffer any dog belonging to him or in his charge to enter or remain in the pleasure ground, unless such dog be and continue to be under proper control, and be effectually restrained from causing annoyance to any person, and from worrying or disturbing any beast, and from entering

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any ornamental water, and from injuring or destroying, worrying or disturbing any fowl in the pleasure ground.

24. Where the Council set apart any such part of the pleasure ground as may be fixed by the Council, and may be described in a notice board affixed or set up in some conspicuous position in the pleasure ground, for the purpose of any game specified in the notice board, which, by reason of the rules or manner of playing, or for the prevention of damage, danger, or discomfort to any person in the pleasure ground, may necessitate, at any time during the continuance of the game, the exclusive use by the player or players of any space in such part of the pleasure ground :—

A person shall not in any space elsewhere in the pleasure ground play or take part in any game so specified in such a manner as to exclude persons not playing or taking part in the game from the use of such space.

25. Every person resorting to the pleasure ground for the purpose of playing or taking part in any game which, by reason of the rules or manner of playing, or for the prevention of damage, danger, or discomfort to any person in the pleasure ground, may necessitate, at any time during the continuance of the game, the exclusive use of any space in the pleasure ground, shall comply with the following requirements :—

(1.) He shall not play on such space any game other than the game for which such space is set apart:

(2.) He shall, in making preparation for the playing of such game and in the manner of playing, use reasonable and proper care to prevent undue interference with the reasonable and proper use of the pleasure ground by other persons :

(3.) He shall not at any time in any part of a space which is already occupied by other players begin to play without the permission of such other players :

(4.) Where the exclusive use of any space may have been granted by the Council for the playing of any match, a player other than a player taking part in the match shall not play any game on that space later than a quarter of an hour before the time fixed for the commencement of the match.

(5.) Except in any case where the exclusive use of any space may have been granted by the Council for the playing of any match, of which the occasion and character shall be such as

to render expedient an extension of the time hereinafter specified a player or company of players shall not, in making preparation for playing and in playing any game, use any part of such space for a longer time than two hours continuously, if at the expiration of that time any other player or company of players, for whose use no other part of the pleasure ground may be available, shall make known to such first-mentioned player or company of players an intention to use, for the purpose of playing, such space as shall have been previously used by such player or company of players.

26. A person shall not in any part of the pleasure ground which may have been set apart by the Council for any game play or take part in any such game at any time when on account of the wetness of the ground or of any other cause such part is unfit for use and a notice is affixed or set up in some conspicuous position in the pleasure ground prohibiting play in such part.

27. A person shall not except as hereinafter provided, erect any post, rail, fence, pole, tent, booth, stand, building, or other structure in any part of the pleasure ground :

Provided that the foregoing prohibition shall not apply where, upon an application to the Council or their duly authorized officer for permission to erect any post, rail, fence, pole, tent, booth, stand, building, or other structure in any part of the pleasure ground, upon such occasion and for such purpose as shall be specified in such application, the Council or their duly authorised officer may grant such permission.

28. A person shall not, in any part of the pleasure ground, beat, shake, sweep, brush, or cleanse any carpet, drugget, rug, or mat, or any other fabric retaining dust or dirt.

29. A person shall not, in any part of the pleasure ground, hang, spread, or deposit any linen or other fabric for the purpose of drying or bleaching.

30. A person shall not, in any part of the pleasure ground, sell, or offer or expose for sale, or let to hire, or offer or expose for letting to hire, any commodity or article, unless, in pursuance of an agreement with the Council, or otherwise in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege, such person may be duly authorised to sell or let to hire in the pleasure ground such commodity or article.

31. A person shall not carelessly or negligently injure or wilfully disturb any animal turned into the pleasure ground by

permission of the Council, or any bird in any aviary in the pleasure ground.

32. A person shall not play any musical instrument or sing in any part of the pleasure ground :

Provided that the foregoing prohibition shall not apply in any case where, upon an application to the Council for permission to play any musical instrument or to sing in the pleasure ground upon such occasion, or on such days and at such hours as may be specified in such application, the Council may grant such permission.

33. A male person above the age of seven years shall not intrude on or use any sanitary convenience set apart for the use of female persons, and a female person shall not intrude on or use any sanitary convenience set apart for the use of male persons in the pleasure ground.

34. A person shall not, in any part of the pleasure ground, wilfully obstruct, disturb, interrupt, or annoy any other person in the proper use of the pleasure ground, or wilfully obstruct, disturb, or interrupt any officer of the Council in the proper execution of his duty, or any person or servant of any person employed by the Council in the proper execution of any work in connection with the laying out or maintenance of the pleasure ground.

35. A person shall not in the pleasure ground use any indecent or obscene language to the annoyance of any person.

36. Every person who shall offend against any of the foregoing byelaws shall be liable for every such offence to a penalty of five pounds :

Provided, nevertheless, that the justices or 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 byelaw.

37. Every person who shall infringe any byelaw for the regulation of the pleasure ground may be removed therefrom by any officer of the Council, or by any constable, in any one of the several cases hereinafter specified ; that is to say,—

(i.) Where the infraction of the byelaw is committed within the view of such officer or constable, and the name and residence of the person infringing the byelaw are unknown to and cannot be readily ascertained by such officer or constable :

(ii.) Where the infraction of the byelaw is committed within the view of such officer or constable, and, from the nature of such infraction or from any other fact of which such officer or constable may have knowledge, or of which he may be credibly informed there may be reasonable ground for belief that the continuance in the pleasure ground of the person infringing the byelaw may result in another infraction of a byelaw, or that the removal of such person from the pleasure ground is otherwise necessary as a security for the proper use and regulation thereof.

The Corporate Common Seal of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Pontefract was hereunto affixed the *tenth* day of *July* 1926, in the presence of

J. M. Farmer

Town Clerk.



*Allowed by the Ministers
of Health this tenth day of
September, 1926.*

H. W. S. Francis
H. W. S. FRANCIS,
Assistant Secretary,
Ministry of Health

