

PANGBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

PLEASURE GROUNDS, PUBLIC WALKS & OPEN SPACES

Byelaws made by the Parish Council of Pangbourne under Section 164 of the Public Health Act, 1875 and Sections 12 & 15 of the Open Spaces Act, 1906 with respect to the River Meadow, Recreation Ground at Thames Avenue, Pangbourne and Kennedy Drive Play Area.

INTERPRETATION

1. In these byelaws:

"the Council" means the Parish Council of Pangbourne;

"the ground" means the River Meadow, Recreation Ground at Thames Avenue, Pangbourne and Kennedy Drive Play Area.

REMOVAL OF SUBSTANCES

2. No person shall remove from or displace in the ground any stone, soil or turf, or the whole or any part of any plant, shrub or tree.

CLIMBING

3. 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;

GRAZING

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

HORSES

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

FIRES

6. (1) No person shall in the ground intentionally light any fire, or place, throw or let fall a lighted match or any other thing so as to be likely to cause a fire.  
(2) This byelaw shall not apply to any event held with the consent of the Council.

ERECTION OF STRUCTURES

7. 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.

REMOVAL OF STRUCTURES

8. 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.

### **NOISE**

9.(1) No person shall in the ground, after being requested to desist by an officer of the Council, or by any person annoyed or disturbed, or by any person acting on his behalf :

(a) by shouting or singing;

(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 other persons in the ground.

(2) This byelaw shall not apply to any person holding or taking part in any entertainment held with the consent of the Council.

### **VEHICLES**

10.(1) No person shall, without reasonable excuse, ride or drive a motor cycle, motor vehicle or any other mechanically propelled vehicle (other than a cycle), 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.

(2) No person shall, without reasonable excuse, ride a cycle, except in any part of the ground where there is a right of way for cycles, or along such routes as may be fixed by the Council and indicated by signs placed in conspicuous positions in the ground.

(3) 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 positions, between it and the entrance to the ground.

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

(5) 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 of 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 of which 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 a motor vehicle, and includes a caravan.

**ARCHERY**

11. No person shall in the ground, except in connection with an event organised by or held with the consent of the Council, engage in the sport of archery.

**FIELD SPORTS**

12. No person shall in the ground, except in connection with an event organised by or held with the consent of the Council, engage in the sport of javelin or discus or shot-putting.

**GOLF**

13. No person shall in the ground drive, chip or pitch a hard golf ball.

**OBSTRUCTION**

14. No person shall in the ground :

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

**SAVINGS**

15. (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**

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

**PENALTY**

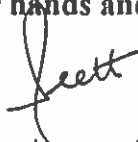
17. Any person offending against any of these byelaws shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding Level 2 on the standard scale.

**REVOCATION**

18. The byelaws made by Pangbourne Parish Council on 14th February 1963, 5th December 1978 and 28th August 1979 and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department on 16th April 1963, 12th March 1979 and 16th November 1979 relating to the Recreation Ground at Thames Avenue, Pangbourne, Recreation Ground, Pangbourne and the River Meadow are hereby revoked.

Given under our hands and seals this 1st day of June, 1999.

(Signed)



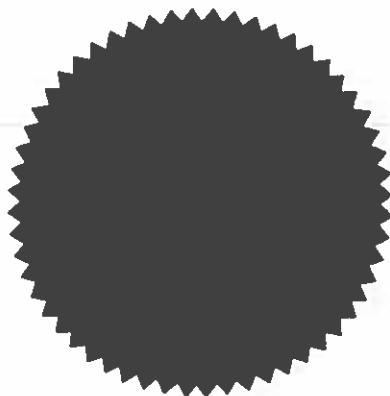
(Mrs. M. Peett)

(Signed)



(Mrs. P. Bale)

Members of Pangbourne Parish Council



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The foregoing byelaws are hereby confirmed by the Secretary of State and shall come into operation on the twenty-fourth day of September 1999.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

R. G. Evans  
Head of Unit

Constitutional and Community Policy Directorate

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I hereby certify that this printed copy is a true copy of the byelaws as confirmed by the Secretary of State :

Signed : \_\_\_\_\_



Dennis Jones, F.R.V.A.,  
Clerk to the Council,  
Pangbourne Parish Council.  
24<sup>th</sup> September 1999