

Whiteshill & Ruscombe Parish Council

Byelaws made by Whiteshill & Ruscombe Parish Council under Section 164 of the Public Health Act 1875 with respect to Whiteshill and Ruscombe Playing Field.

Interpretation

1. In these byelaws: 'the Council' means the Parish Council of Whiteshill and Ruscombe; 'the ground' means the Whiteshill and Ruscombe Playing Field, including the car park.

Vehicles

2. (1) 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.
(2) If the Council has set apart a space in the ground for the 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.
(3) This bye law shall not extend to invalid carriages.
(4) 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 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 a motor vehicle, and includes a caravan.

Camping/Caravanning

3. No person shall, without the consent of the Council, erect a tent or use any vehicle, including a caravan, or any other structure for the purpose of camping in the ground.

Structures

4. 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

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.

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.

Soil and Plants

7. No person shall remove or displace any soil or plant in the ground.

Trading

8. No person shall, 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 article.

Animals

9. No person shall, except in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege, bring or cause to be brought into the ground any horse, pony or donkey, or turn out or permit any animal to graze in the ground.

Games

10. Where the Council has, by a 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 game 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.
11. 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.
12. (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 ground; or
 - (b) which is likely to cause damage to any tree, shrub or plant in the ground, or injury to any person.(2) This byelaw shall not extend to any area set apart by the Council for the playing of any game.

Ball games

13. No person shall play or take part in any ball game in that part of the ground which comprises the car park.

Golf

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

Noise

15. 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 or living nearby.

Obstruction

16. No person shall in the ground:
- (a) intentionally obstruct any officer of the Council or his representative 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 for annoyance to other persons in the ground.

Savings

17. An act which is necessary to the proper execution of his duty in the ground by an officer of the Council or his representative, or any act which is necessary to the proper execution of any contract with the Council, shall not be an offence under these byelaws.

Removal of offenders

18. Any person offending against any of these byelaws may be removed from the ground by any officer of the Council or his representative, or any constable.

Penalty

19. 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

20. The Byelaws made by Whiteshill Parish Council on 29th May 1980 and confirmed by the Secretary of State on 10th December 1980 are hereby revoked.

Given under our hands and seals this 21st of June 1983.

(Signed) [Signature] (Chairman)
(Signed) [Signature]

Members of the Whiteshill & Ruscombe Parish Council

The foregoing byelaws are hereby confirmed by the Secretary of State and shall come into operation on the 27th day of September 1993.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. E. Head', with a horizontal line above and below the name.

M. E. HEAD

An Assistant Under-Secretary of State

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