

Byelaws made by the Tharston & Hapton Parish Council on 5th May 2010 under section 164 of the Public Health Act 1875 with respect to its Meeting House Field, Holly Lane, Hapton, Norfolk.

1. In these byelaws:

“the Council” means Tharston & Hapton Parish Council;

“the ground” means Meeting House Field¹, Holly Lane, Hapton.

2. These byelaws shall apply to Meeting House Field, Holly Lane, Hapton

3. No person shall, without reasonable excuse or the consent of the Council, ride a cycle or bring into the ground a motor cycle, motor vehicle or trailer.

4. No person shall, without reasonable excuse or the consent of the Council, 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 maintenance of the ground.

5. 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.

6. No person shall in the ground, 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.

7. No person shall in the ground intentionally light a fire, or place, throw or let fall a lighted match or any other thing so as to be likely to cause a fire. This shall not prevent the lighting and use of a properly-constructed camping stove, cooker or barbecue in any area set aside for the purpose at an event held with the consent of the Council, in such a manner as not to cause danger of or damage by fire.

¹ Also known as “Hapton Meadow”

8. No person shall in the ground play any game so as to give reasonable grounds for annoyance to any other person in the ground or which is likely to cause damage to any tree, shrub or plant in the ground.

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

10. No person shall, without the consent of the Council, remove from or displace in the ground any stone, soil or turf, or the whole or any part of any shrub or tree.

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

12. 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.

13. No person shall in the ground release any power-driven model aircraft for flight or control the flight of such an aircraft.

14. No person shall in the ground fly or cause or permit to be flown any kite in such a manner as to cause a danger, nuisance or annoyance to any other person in the ground.

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

16. 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 any radio, gramophone, amplifier, tape recorder, iPOD 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.

17. 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;
- (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.

18. An act necessary to the proper execution of his duty in the ground by an officer of the Council, or any act that is necessary to the proper execution of any contract with the Council, or any act that is done with the consent of the Council shall not be an offence under these Byelaws.

19. Nothing in or done under any of the provisions of these Byelaws shall in any respect prejudice or injuriously affect the public footpath through the ground.

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

21. 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.

(Signed) Chairman

..... Clerk