BYELAWS FOR THE REGULATION OF DOGS

Byelaws made by the Council of Rushmoor under Section 164 of the Public Health Act 1875, with regard to public walks and pleasure grounds.

EXTENT

1. (1) Byelaw 3 applies to the public walks and pleasure grounds and open spaces or parts thereof described in Schedule 1, hereafter referred to as the "dog prohibited areas".

   (2) Byelaws 4 and 5 apply to the public walks, pleasure grounds and open spaces or parts thereof described in Schedule 2, hereinafter referred to as the "canine faeces removal areas".

   (3) Byelaw 6 applies to the public walks, pleasure grounds and open spaces or parts thereof described in Schedule 3, hereafter referred to as the "dogs on leads areas".

   (4) Notice of the effect of these byelaws shall be given by signs placed in conspicuous positions at the entrances to each of the dog prohibited areas, and at the entrances or on the approaches to each of the canine faeces removal areas and each of the dogs on leads areas.

INTERPRETATION

2. (1) In these byelaws:-

   "the Council" means the Borough Council of Rushmoor

   (2) For the purpose of these byelaws the keeper of the dog shall be deemed in charge thereof, unless the Court is satisfied that the dogs had been placed in or taken into the charge of some other person at the time when an offence under these byelaws had been committed.

   (3) In paragraph (2) above "the keeper" shall include the owner of the dog or any other person who habitually has it in his possession.

DOGS PROHIBITED FROM THE GROUNDS

3. (1) No person (other than a registered blind person) in charge of a dog shall, without reasonable excuse, permit the dog to enter or remain in any of the dog prohibited areas.

   (2) An Officer of the Council, or any constable, may require a person in charge of a dog which has entered any of the dog prohibited areas to remove the dog therefrom.

REMOVAL OF CANINE FAECES

4. Every person (other than a registered blind person) in charge of a dog which is in any of the canine faeces removal areas who, without reasonable excuse, fails to remove forthwith from any such area any faeces deposited by the dog shall be guilty of an offence.
5. For the purposes of compliance with Byelaw 4 the following provisions shall apply:-

   (a) it shall be a sufficient removal from the canine faeces removal areas if the faeces are deposited in a receptacle in any such area which has been provided for that purpose by the Council;

   (b) without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing it shall not be a reasonable excuse that a person in charge of a dog did not have with him any means of removal of the faeces.

   DOGS ON LEADS

6. No person in charge of a dog shall, without reasonable excuse, permit the dog to enter or remain in any of the dogs on leads areas unless the dog is held on a lead and is restrained from behaviour giving reasonable grounds for annoyance.

   REMOVAL OF OFFENDERS

7. Any person offending against Byelaws 3(1), 4 or 6 in a pleasure ground may be removed from the pleasure ground in which the offence is being committed by a constable or by an officer of the Council.

   PENALTY

8. Any person offending against Byelaw 3(1), 4 or 6 shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

   REVOCAITION

9. Byelaw No. 22 of the byelaws made by Aldershot Urban District Council on the 4th day of October 1922, insofar as it applies to Aldershot Manor Park, Aldershot Park and the Municipal Gardens is revoked with effect from the date on which these byelaws shall come into operation.

10. Byelaw No. 13 of the byelaws made by the Farnborough Urban District Council on 31 March 1964, insofar as it applies to Osborne Road Recreation Ground, the Children’s Play Area in Queen Elizabeth Park, Queens Road Recreation Ground, Rectory Road Recreation Ground and Cove Green, is revoked with effect from the date on which these byelaws shall come into operation.
SCHEDULE

The grounds referred to in the above byelaws are as follows:-

SCHEDULE 1

DOG PROHIBITED AREAS

Children’s Play Area, Aldershot Park, Aldershot
Children’s Play Area, Manor Park, Aldershot
Children’s Play Area, Blunden Road Recreation Ground, Farnborough
Children’s Play Area, Municipal Gardens, Aldershot
Children’s Play Area, Cove Green, Farnborough
Children’s Play Area, Osborne Road Recreation Ground, Farnborough
Children’s Play Area, Queen Elizabeth Park, Farnborough
Children’s Play Area, Queens Road Recreation Ground, Farnborough
Children’s Play Area, Rectory Road Recreation Ground, Farnborough
Children’s Play Area, Field Road Recreation Ground, Farnborough

SCHEDULE 2

CANINE FAECES REMOVAL AREAS

Aldershot Park, Aldershot (excluding children’s play area)
Manor Park, Aldershot (excluding children’s play area)
Blunden Road Recreation Ground, Farnborough (excluding children’s play area)
Municipal Gardens, Aldershot (excluding children’s play area)
Northfield Play Area, North Lane, Aldershot
Princes Garden, High Street, Aldershot
Cove Green, Farnborough (excluding children’s play area)
Osborne Road Recreation Ground, Farnborough (excluding children’s play area)
Moor Road Recreation Ground, Farnborough
Queens Road Recreation Ground, Farnborough (excluding children’s play area)
Rectory Road Recreation Ground, Farnborough (excluding children’s play area)
Field Road Recreation Ground, Farnborough (excluding children’s play area)
Brickfields Park, Boxalls Lane, Aldershot

SCHEDULE 3

DOGS ON LEAD AREAS

Princes Gardens, High Street, Aldershot

Brian Wilcox
Mayor

S P Taylor
Head of Legal & Estates

The foregoing byelaw(s) are hereby confirmed by the Secretary of State and shall come into operation on the 2nd day of March 1992.

Signed by the authority of the Secretary of State

R J Fries
An Assistant Under-Secretary of State

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