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- 1** Throughout these Byelaws the expression 'the Councils' means the **Mayors Aldermen and Burgesses of the London Boroughs of Ealing and Hounslow** acting by their Councils, the expression 'the pleasure ground' means the pleasure ground known as Gunnersbury Park and the expression 'power driven model aircraft' means any model aircraft driven by the combustion of petrol vapour or any other combustible substances.
- 2** An act necessary to the proper execution of his duty in the pleasure ground by an officer of the Councils or by any person or servant of any person employed by the Councils shall not be deemed an offence against these Byelaws.
- 3** The pleasure ground shall be opened at the hour of 8 o'clock in the forenoon and shall be closed half an hour after sunset of every day throughout the year.

Provided always that this Byelaw shall not be deemed to require the pleasure ground to be opened and closed at the hours hereinbefore prescribed on any day when in pursuance of any statutory provision in that behalf the Councils close the pleasure ground to the public.
- 4** On any day on which the pleasure ground is open to the public a person shall not enter it before the time or enter or remain in it after the time appointed in the foregoing Byelaw.
- 5** A person shall not in the pleasure ground:

 - (i) carelessly or negligently soil or defile any wall or fence in or enclosing the pleasure ground or any part of any building barrier railing post or seat or any other erection or ornament
 - (ii) climb any wall or fence in or enclosing the pleasure ground or any tree or any barrier railing post or other erection
 - (iii) willfully carelessly or negligently remove or displace any barrier railing post or seat or any lifebelt or other apparatus provided for the purpose of saving life or any part of any erection or ornament or any plant machinery or implement provided for use in the laying out or maintenance of the pleasure ground.

6 A person shall not bring or cause to be brought into the pleasure ground any cattle sheep goats or pigs or any beast of draught or burden unless in pursuance of an agreement with the Councils or otherwise in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege he is authorised to do so.

7 (i) A person shall not except in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege bring or cause to be brought into the pleasure ground any barrow truck machine or vehicle other than —

(a) a wheeled bicycle tricycle or other similar machine

(b) a wheelchair perambulator or chaise drawn or propelled by hand and used solely for the conveyance of a child or children or an invalid

Provided that where the Councils set apart a space in the pleasure ground for the use of any class of vehicle this byelaw shall not be deemed to prohibit the driving in or to that place by the indicated route from the entrance to the pleasure ground of any vehicle of the class for which it is set apart.

(ii) a person shall not except in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege ride any bicycle tricycle or other similar machine in any part of the pleasure ground.

(iii) without prejudice to the foregoing —
a person shall not in the pleasure ground ride or drive any machine or vehicle at such a speed or in such a manner as to cause danger to other persons in the pleasure ground or without reasonable consideration for such persons.

8 A person who brings a vehicle into the pleasure ground shall not wheel or station it over or upon —

(i) any flower bed shrub or plant or any ground in course of preparation as a flower bed for the growth of any tree shrub or plant

(ii) any part of the pleasure ground where the Councils by a notice board affixed or set up in some conspicuous position in the pleasure ground prohibit its being wheeled or stationed.

9 A person shall not affix 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.

10 A person shall not in the pleasure ground walk run stand sit or lie upon —

(i) any grass turf or other place where adequate notice to keep off such grass turf or other place shall be placed **Provided that** such notice shall not apply to more than one sixth of the area of the pleasure ground

(ii) 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.

11 A person shall not in the pleasure ground drive pitch or chip a solid golf ball

Provided that this last prohibition shall not apply to the two areas of the pleasure ground set apart for this purpose.

12 A person shall not in the pleasure ground —

(i) bathe wade or wash in any ornamental lake pond stream or other water

(ii) wilfully carelessly or negligently foul or pollute any such water

(iii) take injure or destroy or attempt to take injure or destroy any fish in any such water or wilfully disturb or worry any water fowl

(iv) wilfully displace disturb injure or destroy any bird's nest or wilfully take injure or destroy any bird's egg

(v) 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 injure or destruction of any bird.

13 (i) 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 under proper control or be effectually restrained from causing annoyance to any person and from worrying or disturbing any beast and from entering any ornamental water and from injuring or destroying worrying or disturbing any fowl in the pleasure ground

(ii) Notwithstanding anything contained in Clause (i) of this Byelaw a person shall not cause or suffer any dog belonging to him or in his charge to enter or remain in any part of the pleasure ground set apart as a children's play area ornamental garden bowling green tennis court or similar enclosed area provided that this prohibition shall not apply unless a notice is displayed in some conspicuous position excluding dogs from that part.

14 Where the Councils set apart any such part of the pleasure ground as may be fixed by the Councils 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 or 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.

15 A person resorting to the pleasure ground and playing or taking part in any game for which the exclusive use of any space in the pleasure ground has been set apart shall —

- (i) Not play on the space any game other than the game for which it is set apart
- (ii) In preparing for playing and in playing use reasonable care to prevent undue interference with the proper use of the pleasure ground by other persons
- (iii) When the space is already occupied by other players not begin to play thereon without their permission
- (iv) Where the exclusive use of the space has been granted by the Councils for the playing of a match not play on that space later than a quarter of an hour before the time fixed for the beginning of the match unless he is taking part therein
- (v) Except where the exclusive use of the space has been granted by the Councils for the playing of a match in which he is taking part not use the space for a longer time than two hours continuously if any other player or players make known to him a wish to use the space.

16 A person shall not in any part of the Pleasure Ground which may have been set apart by the Councils for any game play or take part in any such game when the state of the ground or other cause makes unfit for use and a notice is set up in some conspicuous position prohibiting play in that part of the pleasure ground.

17 A person shall not in the pleasure ground —

- (i) except as hereinafter provided erect any post rail fence pole tent booth stand building or other structure **Provided that** this prohibition shall not apply where upon an application to the Councils they grant permission to erect any post rail fence pole tent booth stand building or other structure upon such occasion and for such purposes as are specified in the application
- (ii) beat shake sweep brush or cleanse any carpet drugget rug or mat or any other fabric retaining dust or dirt
- (iii) hang spread or deposit any linen or other fabric for drying or bleaching

(iv) 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 Councils or otherwise in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege he is authorised to sell or let to hire in the pleasure ground such commodity or article

(v) light any fire

Provided that this prohibition shall not apply where upon an application to the Councils they grant permission to light a fire in connection with a function in the pleasure ground authorised by the Councils.

18 A person shall not without the prior consent of the Councils take or cause to be taken any cinematograph film involving the use of any standing camera or apparatus in the pleasure ground in the course of or for the purpose of any profession trade or business.

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

20 A person shall not to the annoyance of any person sound or play upon any musical or noisy instrument or apparatus for the reproduction or amplification of sound or sing in the pleasure ground

Provided that this Byelaw shall not be deemed to prevent singing or the playing of a musical instrument at any function held in the pleasure ground by or in pursuance of an agreement with the Councils.

21 A person shall not hold or attempt to hold any meeting or deliver or attempt to deliver any public address in a part of the pleasure ground except in such place as the Councils have set apart for the purpose of any meeting or for the deliveries of a public address.

22 A person shall not solicit or collect money in the pleasure ground unless with the sanction of the Councils

Provided that nothing in this Byelaw shall interfere with the operation of any regulations made under Section 5 of the Police Factories etc (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1916.

23 A person shall not go or attempt to go upon any ice in the pleasure ground at any time when a notice or notices shall be exhibited in a prominent place in the pleasure grounds indicating that the ice is in a dangerous condition.

24 A person shall not fly any power driven model aircraft in the pleasure ground.

25 A person shall not except in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege have in his possession while he is in the pleasure ground any firearm unless it is so covered with a securely fastened gun cover that it cannot be fired.

In this Byelaw the expression 'firearm' means any lethal barrelled weapon of any description from which any shot bullet or other missile can be discharged.

This Byelaw shall apply to all parts of the pleasure ground except any part thereof which is a public right of way.

26 Every person who shall offend against any of these Byelaws shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding Twenty Pounds.

27 Every person who shall infringe any byelaw for the regulation of the pleasure ground may be removed therefrom by any Officer of the Councils 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 is 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.

28 The byelaws relating to the pleasure ground which were made:

(a) by the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Boroughs of Acton and Ealing and the Urban District Council of Brentford and Chiswick on the 11th, 7th and 18th day of June 1928 respectively and confirmed by the Minister of Health on the 25th of September 1928

(b) by the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Acton acting by the Council the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Ealing acting by the Council and the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Brentford and Chiswick acting by the Council on the 28th October 1933, the 7th day of December 1933 and the 16th day of January 1934 respectively and confirmed by the Minister of Health on the 30th day of January 1934 are hereby revoked.

Dated this 20th day of October 1977.

The Common Seal of the Mayor
Aldermen and Burgesses of the
London Borough of Ealing was
hereunto affixed the day and year
first before written in the presence of:

C.S.

M. Lorde
Mayor

P.J. Coomber
Town Clerk and Proper Officer

The Common Seal of the Mayor
Aldermen and Burgesses of the
London Borough of Hounslow was
hereunto affixed the day and year
first before written in the presence of:

C.S.

Baden A.R. Pearce
Mayor

R.F. Hitchcock
Head of Chief Executive's Office

The foregoing byelaws are hereby confirmed by the Secretary of State and shall come into operation on the first day of May 1978.

Signed by authority of the
Secretary of State

R.F.D. Shuffrey
An Assistant Under Secretary
of State

Home Office, London SW1
7 April 1978