



STEEPLE CLAYDON PARISH COUNCIL

PLEASURE GROUNDS, PUBLIC WALKS AND OPEN SPACES

Byelaws made by the Steeple Claydon Parish Council under Section 164 of the Public Health Act 1875, Section 15 of the Open Spaces Act 1906 and/or Sections 12 and 15 of the Open Spaces 190 with respect to the RECREATION GROUND , Steeple Claydon

1. In these byelaws:

‘the Council’ means Steeple Claydon Parish Council

‘the ground’ means the Recreation Ground Steeple Claydon

2. (1) No person shall, without reasonable excuse, ride or drive ~~a cycle,~~ motor cycle, motor vehicle 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.

3. These byelaws shall not extend to invalid carriages

4. In these byelaws:

~~‘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, whether or not intended or adapted for use on roads, 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, whether or not intended or adapted to roads, not being an invalid carriage.

'trailer' means a vehicle drawn by a motor vehicle, and includes a caravan.

5. No person shall, without consent of the Council, leave or cause or permit to be left any vehicle in the ground between the hours of 12 midnight and 6am.
6. No person shall, except in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege, ride a horse in the ground.
~~In any part of the ground where by any lawful right or privilege horse-riding is permitted, no person shall intentionally or negligently ride a horse to the danger of any other person using the ground.~~
7. 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.
8. No person shall, without reasonable excuse, remove from or displace in the ground any barrier, railing, post or seat, or any part of the structure or ornament, or any implement provided for use in the laying out or maintenance of the ground.
9. 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.
- ~~10. 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. except in any area which may be set apart and indicated by notice as a place where camping is permitted.~~
11. (1) 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 likely to cause a fire.
(2) This byelaw shall not apply to any event held with the consent of the Council.
12. No person who has attained the age of 14 years shall use any apparatus in the ground which, by a notice placed on or near thereto, has been set

apart by the Council for the exclusive use of persons under the age of 14 years.

13. No person shall in the ground, 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 provide or offer to provide any service for which charge is made.
14. No person shall, without the consent of the Council, turn out or permit any animal to graze the ground.
15. No person shall in the ground enter upon:
 - (a) Any flower bed, shrub or plant, or any ground in the course of preparation as a flower bed, or for the growth of any tree, shrub or plant; or
 - (b) Any part of the ground set aside for the renovation of grass or turf, where adequate notice to keep off such grass or turf is exhibited.
16. 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.
17. 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.
18. 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 throwing or shot-putting.
19. No person shall in the ground, to the danger or annoyance of any other person in the ground, throw or discharge any missile.
20. 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.
21. No person shall in the ground, without the consent of the Council, hold or take part in any public show or performance.
22. No person shall in the ground, without the consent of the Council, hold or take part in any exhibition, or set up any swing, roundabout or other like thing.
23. You have a legal duty to clean up every time your dog messes in a public place, as per the public spaces protection orders introduced by the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. Registered blind people

are not required to pick up after their guide dogs. Dog waste bins are at all entrance points to the ground.

24. 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;
- 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.

25. (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.

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

27. 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.

28. *The byelaws made by Steeple Claydon Parish Council on the twenty first day of February 1980 and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Office on eighteenth day of June 1980 relating to the grounds are hereby revoked.*

The foregoing byelaws are hereby confirmed by the Secretary of State and shall come into operation on the twenty-sixth day of August 2000.

(This will be updated once approved by DCLG 16/01/2025)