## **CHESHAM TOWN COUNCIL**

## **BYELAWS**

These are made under Section 164 of the Public Health Act by the Chesham Town Council (hereafter referred to as "The Council") with regard to the Open Spaces and Pleasure Grounds listed below:

Big Round Green Manor Way Island Codmore Field Marston Field

Co-op Field Meades Water Gardens

Canon's Wood Nashleigh Recreation Ground Lowndes Park Red Lion Street Gardens Lye Green Temperance Hall Gardens

These will be referred to as "The Open Space" or "The Pleasure Ground".

- 1) These byelaws repeal all those made by the Urban District Council of Chesham.
- 2) The proper carrying out of their duties by Council Employees will not contravene these Byelaws.
- 3) No person shall, without good reason move or remove :
  - (a) Any wall or fence in or around the Open Space
  - (b) Any barrier, railing, post or seat in the Open Space
  - (c) Any erection or ornament
  - (d) Any implement used in ground maintenance
- 4) No bill, placard or notice shall be attached to any tree, building, seat or other fixture.
- 5) No person shall climb:
  - (a) Any wall or fence in or around the Pleasure Ground
  - (b) Any barrier, railing, post or seat within it
  - (c) Any erection or ornament in or within it
- 6) Except by lawful authority, no person shall:
  - (a) Catch birds or take their eggs
  - (b) Set traps, snares or nets for birds or animals
  - (c) Shoot or chase game or other animals in the Open Spaces
- 7) Except with Council permission, no person shall put up any post, rail, fence, pole, tent, booth, stand, building or other structure in the Open Space.
- 8) Except by lawful right or privilege, no person shall bring into the Open Space :
  - (a) Any barrow, truck or machine, except to gain access by the shortest possible route to any area specifically set aside by The Council for its use.
  - (b) Any vehicle except a wheeled bicycle or similar, or a perambulator used solely to transport children or invalids.
  - (c) Ride any bicycle or similar on the Open Space.
- 9) The Council may set aside certain areas within the Pleasure Ground for games which may cause damage, danger or discomfort to other persons unless they are excluded from that playing area. These areas will be described in (a) conspicuous notice (s). In such cases, these games shall not be played in any other area of the Open Space in such a way as to exclude other persons from that area.

- 10) The Council may deem certain areas unfit for the play of games, and a conspicuous notice will be put up banning the use of these areas for games.
- 11) Horses in the Open Space:
  - (a) Will not be broken in without lawful authority
  - (b) Ridden, driven or exercised in a manner dangerous to others
- 12) Grazing by animals will not be allowed except by lawful agreement with The Council.
- Except with the agreement of The Council, or by lawful right or privilege, no person shall be authorised, within the Open Space, to:
  - (a) Sell, put up, or offer for sale any commodity or article.
  - (b) Let, put up or offer for let any commodity or article.
- 14) In the Pleasure Ground, so person shall:
  - (a) Bathe, wade or wash in any ornamental lake, stream or other water.
  - (b) Without good excuse pollute or foul the same.
  - (c) Cause any harm or disturbance to any bird, animal or fish without lawful reason.
  - (d) Engage in hunting, shooting or fishing, or lay snares, except where the Council authorises fishing.
- 15) No dog shall be allowed within the Open Spaces unless under proper control. This means that:
  - (a) It shall be restrained from causing nuisance.
  - (b) It shall not enter any ornamental water.
  - (c) It shall not cause any harm or disturbance to any fowl.
- In the Open Spaces, a person shall not, intentionally, carelessly or negligently throw or discharge any stone or other missile to the damage or danger of any person.
- 17) On the land, no personal shall intentionally obstruct, disturb or annoy:
  - (a) Any other person in the proper use of the land.
  - (b) Any warden or other officer of The Council properly carrying out his duty.
  - (c) Any Council employee properly laying out or maintaining the land.
- Anyone who infringes these Byelaws may be removed from the Pleasure Ground by any officer of The Council or any constable if:
  - (a) The officer or constable witnesses the infringement but cannot readily discover that person's name and address.
  - (b) The officer or constable has reasonable grounds for believing that the said person's continued presence may cause other infringement or threatens the security, proper use and regulation of the space.
  - (c) Anyone infringing any of these byelaws may, if convicted, be summarily fined up to £100.00.