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County Borough of Swansea.

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BYE-LAWS

WITH RESPECT TO

PLEASURE GROUNDS

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H. LANG-COATH,

Town Clerk,

Swansea.

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Thomas and Parry, Ltd., Carr Street, Swansea.

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**BYE-LAWS**

**made by the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the County Borough of Swansea acting  
by the Council with respect to Pleasure Grounds.**

1. Throughout these Bye-laws the expression "the Council" means the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the County Borough of Swansea, acting by the Council; and the expression "the pleasure ground" means, except where inconsistent with the context, each of the pleasure grounds known respectively as:—Brynmill Park, Dyfatty Park, Brynmelyn Park, Jersey Park, Cwmdonkin Park, Llewelyn Park, Manselton Park, Morryston Park, Victoria Park, Pentrechwyth Recreation Ground, Swansea Bay Recreation Ground, St. James' Gardens, The Esplanade, Mayhill Gardens.

II. The pleasure grounds known as Brynmelyn Park, Dyfatty Park, Jersey Park, Manselton Park, Pentrechwyth Recreation Ground, Mayhill Gardens, and St. James' Gardens shall be opened at the hour of 8.0 in the forenoon and shall be closed at the expiration of one hour after sunset in the afternoon of every day throughout the year, and the pleasure grounds known as Brynmill Park, Cwmdonkin Park, Llewelyn Park, Morryston Park, and Victoria Park shall be opened at the hour of 7 in the forenoon during the months of November, December, January and February, and at the hour of 6 in the forenoon during the months of March, April, May, June, July, August, September and October, and shall be closed at the expiration of one hour after sunset in the afternoon of every day throughout the year.

Provided always that this bye-law shall not be deemed to require any 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 Council may close such pleasure ground to the public.

III. The acts and things specified in the following clauses numbered 1 to 31 respectively are hereby prohibited and declared to be offences.

(1).—Removing, or carelessly, or negligently injuring any fountain, statue, monument, bust, chain, railing, seat, chair, barrier, gate, lamp, notice-board or plate, house, shelter, shed, bandstand, building, urinal, water-closet, or other matter or thing, or by cutting or writing, stamping, printing, drawing or marking thereon, or defacing or disfiguring the same by posting or affixing in any way any bill, placard or notice.

(2).—Cutting, digging up, felling, burning, plucking, breaking, climbing up or upon or carelessly or negligently damaging any timber, tree, shrub, fence, post, pole, gorse, fern, grass, flower or other plant.

(3).—Taking, digging, cutting, breaking or removing or carelessly or negligently damaging any gravel, sand, turf, soil, water ice, or other substance, except in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege.

(4).—Going or attempting to go into any enclosed plantation, shrubbery, flower bed, flower border, or temporary enclosure.

(5).—Going or attempting to go on any pond, lake or stream when it is frozen after notice that the ice is dangerous has been posted in a prominent position at or near to such pond, lake or stream.

(6).—Erecting or placing any post, rail, fence, photographic apparatus, pole, peg, tent, booth, screen, stand, swing, or other building or obstruction of any kind without the consent of the Council in writing.

(7).—Depositing or leaving in the pleasure ground or in any lake, pond or stream therein any timber, bricks, pipes, stone, sand, paper, manure, soot, snow, or other matter or thing.

(8).—Depositing or leaving in the pleasure ground known as Morriston Park or in any lake, pond or stream therein, any refuse, rubbish, paper or dead animal.

(9).—Turning out to graze or feed, or allowing or suffering to stray or remain in the pleasure ground any cattle, sheep, swine, horse, ass, mule or other animal without the consent of the Council in writing.

(10).—Drawing, driving, riding, or propelling (except at such times and in such places as may be from time to time prescribed by notices posted in prominent positions at or near to such places by the Council's officers, and then at a rate not exceeding eight miles per hour, and not so as to endanger the public) any horse, carriage, bicycle, tricycle, motor car or other vehicle or exercising, riding, leading or bringing any horse, ox, cow, ass or mule in or into the pleasure ground.

(11).—Taking into or driving in the pleasure ground any omnibus, cart, business conveyance, wheel-barrow, truck, or other such thing other than a wheeled chair used solely for the conveyance of an invalid drawn or propelled by hand or a perambulator or a chaise drawn or propelled by hand and used solely for the conveyance of a child or children.

(12).—Wheeling or stationing a wheeled chair used solely for the conveyance of an invalid or a perambulator or a chaise drawn or propelled by hand and used solely for the conveyance of a child or children or an invalid, or causing or suffering such wheeled chair or perambulator or chaise to be wheeled or stationed over or upon any part of a flower bed or over or upon any tree, sapling, shrub, underwood, gorse or other plant, or any ground in course of preparation or cultivation as a flower bed, or for the reception or growth of any tree, sapling, shrub, underwood, gorse or other plant.

(13).—Wheeling or stationing a wheeled chair used solely for the conveyance of an invalid, or a perambulator, or a chaise drawn or propelled by hand and used solely for the conveyance of a child or children or an invalid or causing or suffering such wheeled chair or perambulator, or chaise to be wheeled or stationed on any part or parts of the pleasure ground where, by notice or notices affixed or set up in some conspicuous position at or near to each of the several entrances to the pleasure ground, the Council may from time to time prohibit the use by any such wheeled chair, perambulator, or chaise, of any part or parts of the pleasure ground as shall be defined or described in such notice or notices while such notice or notices continue so affixed or set up.

(14).—Using any part of the pleasure ground for shaking or beating any carpet, mat or other thing, or as a drying or bleaching ground, or washing clothes or other thing in any lake, pond, stream or trough.

(15).—Bathing or washing any dog or other animal or allowing any dog or other animal to swim in any lake, pond or stream.

(16).—Sorting rags, bones or matter of a like nature, or mending any chair or other article.

(17).—In the pleasure ground known as Morriston Park firing any gun, pistol, revolver, or other firearm, discharging any fireworks catapult, or sling, or throwing any stone, stick or other missile to the damage or danger of any person.

(18).—Using any syringe or squirt to the annoyance of any person.

(19).—Wilfully, carelessly or negligently soiling or defiling any part of any tree, shrub, wall, railing, seat or other thing or of any lake, pond or stream.

(20).—Selling or letting for hire any article or distributing any bill or like thing, or soliciting or gathering money or other thing, or placing any chair for hire without the consent of the Council in writing.

(21).—Delivering, uttering, or reading any public speech, lecture, prayer, scripture, sermon, or address of any kind or description whatever, or singing any sacred or secular song or entering into any public discussion or holding or causing or taking part in any public assembly.

It shall always be provided that this clause shall not apply in any case where in pursuance of an application to them the Council may grant permission to do any of these acts or things in the pleasure ground.

(22).—Going or attempting to go into any watercloset, urinal or other place of convenience provided for the opposite sex.

(23).—Playing or making preparation for playing cricket, football, golf, bowls, lawn tennis, or other game without the consent of the Council except on the parts set apart for such games, and indicated by notices posted in prominent positions at or near to such parts.

(24).—Bathing, skating, and sliding, fishing, boating or sailing model yachts, except at such places and within such hours as may be prescribed by the Council, and indicated by notices posted in prominent positions at or near to such places.

(25).—Interfering with, obstructing or annoying any person who, with the consent of the Council in writing, is engaged in military exercises or is playing or has made preparation to play any lawful game or is riding, skating, fishing, playing music or delivering any public address.

(26).—Refusing to leave the pleasure ground at or after the time appointed for closing the gates if requested to do so by any officer or constable or wilfully remaining therein after the gates are closed, or climbing on or over the gates fences or railing.

(27).—Taking into or having in the pleasure ground when notices prohibiting the admission of dogs are exhibited any dog or dogs not led by a chain or other sufficient fastening.

(28).—Bird catching, bird trapping, taking birds' eggs or nests, or shooting or attempting to shoot or chase any bird or animal, or throwing any stone, stick, or other missile with intent to injure or catch any bird or animal or in any other way interfering with fish, waterfowl or animal.

Provided that this clause shall not apply in any case where an offence is committed against the Malicious Damage Act, 1861.

(29).—Practising gymnastics except in a gymnasium, or running organised races, or taking part in any athletic sports without the consent of the Council in writing.

(30).—Playing or making sounds on any musical instrument without the consent of the Council in writing.

(31).—Resisting, aiding or inciting any person to resist any officer of the Council or other person in the execution of his duty or the lawful exercise of any authority under these Byelaws or otherwise.

IV. Every person who shall commit any of the offences comprised within the foregoing Bye-law numbered III. (three) shall be liable for every such offence to a penalty of five pounds.

Provided nevertheless that the justices or court before whom any complaint may be made or any proceedings may be taken in respect of any such offence may, if they think fit, adjudge the payment, as a penalty, of any sum less than the full amount of the penalty imposed by this Bye-law.

V. The provisions contained in the foregoing Bye-laws shall be deemed not to apply to any officer of the Council acting in the proper execution of his duty or any servant of the Council, or any person, or any servant of any person employed by the Council in or about any work in connection with the laying out, planting, improvement or maintenance of the pleasure ground.

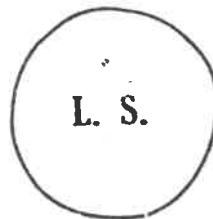
VI. Every person who shall infringe the foregoing Bye-law numbered III (three) may be removed from the pleasure ground by any officer of the Council or by any police constable in one of the several cases hereinafter specified (that is to say):—

(1).—Where the infraction of the Bye-law is committed within the view of such officer or constable and the name and residence of the person infringing the Bye-law are unknown to and cannot be readily ascertained by such officer or constable.

(2)—Where the infraction of the Bye-law 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 Bye-law may result in another infraction of a Bye-law, or that the removal of such person from the pleasure ground is otherwise necessary as a security for the proper use and regulation thereof.

VII. From and after the date of the confirmation of these Bye-laws all bye-laws previously in force with respect to the pleasure ground shall be repealed.

Sealed with the Common Seal of the Mayor  
Aldermen and Burgesses of the County  
Borough of Swansea this Nineteenth day  
of June, 1918, in the presence of



BENJ. JONES,  
Mayor.

H. LANG COATH,  
Town Clerk.



Allowed by the Local Government Board this  
thirteenth day of November, 1918.

H. C. MUNRO,  
Secretary.

Acting on behalf of the said Board under the  
authority of their General Order dated the twenty-  
sixth day of May, 1877.