

London Borough of Richmond upon Thames

BYELAWS

Relating to Leg of Mutton Reservoir Nature Reserve

The Richmond upon Thames Council in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by Sections 20, 21 (4) and 106 of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 in accordance with Section 236 of the Local Government Act 1972 hereby make the following byelaws for the protection of the Nature Reserve at Leg of Mutton Reservoir in the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames.

1. In these byelaws

- a. "The Reserve" shall mean the pieces or parcels of land containing in the whole 9 hectares or thereabouts and situate in the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames declared to be managed as a Nature Reserve by the declaration dated the 28th day of September 1990 made by the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames in pursuance of Section 21 of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949, and the Reserve is for the purposes of identification shown as nearly as may be on the map No. 3512/2 deposited in the Chief Executives Office and therein coloured pink.
- b. "The Council" shall mean the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames.
- c. "Firearm" shall have the same meaning as in Section 57 of the Firearms Act 1968.

2. Within the Reserve the following acts are hereby prohibited except insofar as they may be authorised by a permit issued by the Council in accordance with Byelaw 3, or are necessary to the proper execution of his duty by an officer of the Council or by any person, or servant of any person, employed or authorised by the Council.

DAMAGE TO OR DISTURBANCE OF THINGS IN THE RESERVE

- (i) Spreading or using any net, or setting or using any lamp or other instrument, or any snare or lure, for the taking, injury or destruction of any living creature.
- (ii) Taking, molesting or intentionally disturbing, injuring or killing any living creature.
- (iii) Intentionally removing or displacing any tree, shrub, plant, fungus or part thereof, or any unfashioned mineral thing including water.

BRINGING ANIMALS INTO THE RESERVE

- (iv) Bringing into, or permitting to remain within, the Reserve any dog unless it is kept on a lead or any other animal unless it is kept under proper control and is prevented from worrying or disturbing any animal or bird.
- (v) Turning out any animal or poultry to feed or graze.

AREAS OF WATER

- (vi) Committing any act which pollutes or is likely to cause pollution of any water.
- (vii) Bathing or wading in any water in contravention of a notice exhibited beside that water by order of the Council.
- (viii) Propelling (by any means whatever) any boat on an area or stretch of water other than a public waterway in contravention of a notice exhibited beside that water by the Council.
- (ix) Mooring or leaving or launching any boat elsewhere than on a beach or mooring site indicated by a notice exhibited by the Council as being available for this purpose.

USE OF VEHICLES

- (x) Driving, riding, propelling or leaving any mechanically propelled vehicle (including hovercraft) elsewhere than on a highway or on a road, or in a place indicated by a notice as being available for the purpose.

USE OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT

- (xi) Using any camera or any apparatus for the transmission, reception, reproduction, or amplification of sound, speech or images by electrical

or mechanical means, except apparatus designed and used as an aid to defective hearing and apparatus used in a vehicle so as not to produce sound audible by a person outside the vehicle.

USE OF FIREARMS ETC.

- (xii) Being in possession of a firearm (with ammunition suitable for use in that firearm) otherwise than on a public paved road, or discharging a firearm or lighting a firework.

GENERAL PROHIBITIONS

- (xiii) Erecting any post, rail, fence, pole, booth, stand, building or other structure.
- (xiv) Posting or placing any notice or advertisement.
- (xv) Selling or offering or exposing for sale, or letting for hire or offering or exposing for letting for hire, any commodity or article, or selling or offering for sale any service.
- (xvi) Holding any show, performance, public meeting, exhibition or sports or the playing of any organised games.
- (xvii) Lighting any fire, stove, heater or other appliance capable of causing a fire, elsewhere than in an area indicated by a notice as being available for camping.
- (xviii) Letting fall or throwing any lighted match or lighted substance in a manner likely to cause a fire.

INTERFERENCE WITH DULY AUTHORISED OFFICER

- (xix) Intentionally obstructing any officer of the Council or any person, or the servant of any person, employed or authorised by the Council in the execution of any works including research or scientific work connected with the laying out, maintenance or management of the Reserve.

- 3. (1) The Council may issue permits authorising any person to do any act or class of acts within the Reserve or any part thereof which would otherwise be unlawful under these byelaws.
- (2) Any such permit shall be issued subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) That it must be carried whenever a visit is made to the

Reserve, and produced for inspection when required by a person duly authorised by the Council in that behalf; and

(b) that it may be revoked by the Council at any time.

4. These byelaws shall not operate so as to interfere with the exercise-

(a) by a person of-

(i) a right vested in him as owner, lessee or occupier of land in the Reserve;

(ii) any easement or profit a prendre to which he is entitled;

(iii) any public right of way.

(b) of any functions of a local authority, statutory undertaker or of a water authority or other drainage authority.

(c) by a constable or a member of the armed forces or of any fire brigade or ambulance service in the performance of his duty.

5. Any person who offends against any of these byelaws shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 as laid down in the Criminal Justice Act and in the case of a continuing offence to a further fine for each day during which the offence continues after the said conviction.

THE COMMON SEAL of the
MAYOR AND BURGESSES OF
THE London Borough of Richmond
upon Thames is hereunto affixed in
the presence of:

K. MACKINNEY
Mayor

R. L. HARBORD
Chief Executive & Director of Finance

Seal Reg No 3512/2

The Secretary of State hereby confirms
the foregoing Byelaws which shall
come into effect on 17 January 1992.

Signed by Authority of the Secretary
of State

R W Bunce

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30 December 1991