WISTOW PARISH COUNCIL ("the Council")

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR OAKLANDS AVENUE PLAYING FIELD ("the Field") and approved by Wistow Parish Council on 25 October 2022

INTRODUCTION

The Field is owned by Huntingdonshire District Council and leased to the Council for the use and enjoyment of the public for the purposes of sport, relaxation and children's play.

Any enquiries regarding the use of the Field should be addressed in the first instance to parishclerk@wistowvillage.info.

In order that the Field may be properly and effectively manged and maintained as a valuable recreational amenity for the benefit of the local community, the following rules and regulations shall be observed at all times by each user of the Field.

MEANINGS

Throughout this document the following terms shall apply

"Consent" means the prior written permission of the Council
"Council" means Wistow Parish Council
"Field" means the playing field in Oaklands Avenue, Wistow
"Rule and Regulations" means these rules and regulations

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PROTECTION OF THE FIELD, WILDLIFE AND PUBLIC

1 Protection of structures and plants

No person shall without the Consent of the Council erect, remove from or displace within the ground or its boundaries including hedge or fence:

any sign, barrier, post, goalpost or cross bar, seat, ride or swing or other apparatus designed for use as equipment in a children's playground, building; or

any plant shrub tree or other structure.

2 Metal Detectors

No person shall without the consent of the Council use any device designed or adapted for detecting or locating any metal or mineral in the ground.

3 Fly tipping

Fly tipping is the illegal dumping of waste e.g. garden waste, builder's waste, domestic white goods, wood, metal and any other debris deposited in or at the Field. Persons found to be fly tipping will be prosecuted.

4 Animals

No Person shall bring any animals onto the Field save for assistance animals engaged in the activity for which they have been trained.

5 Gates

No person shall enter or leave other than by the authorised entrance and exit. The Main access gate shall be kept closed unless otherwise agreed by the Council.

6 Camping

No person shall without the Consent of the Council erect a tent or use a vehicle, caravan or any other structure for the purpose of camping.

7 Fires

No person shall without the Consent of the Council, light any fire, barbeque or other outdoor/heating equipment.

8 Balloons

No person shall without the Consent of the Council propel or discharge any helium balloons, Chinese type inflammable lanterns, kites or any other devices which is likely to or could cause harm to animals, people or buildings.

9 Missiles

No person shall without the Consent of the Council shall throw or use any device to propel or discharge in the ground any object which is likely to or could cause injury to any other person or any animal.

PLAY AREA, GAMES AND SPORT

10 Football

Football shall be played on the area marked and or provided with goals.

11 Children's play apparatus

No person aged 14 years or older shall use any apparatus intended for the exclusive use of persons under the age of 14 years.

12 Archery

No person shall save with the Consent of the Council engage in the sport of archery except in connection with an event organised or held with the Consent of the Council.

13 Field Sports

No person shall save with the Consent of the Council throw or put any javelin, hammer, discuss or shot except in connection with an event organised or held with the Consent of the Council.

14 Model Aircraft and drones

No person shall without the Consent of the Council cause any power driven model aircraft drone or similar to

a. take off or otherwise be released for flight or control the flight of such an aircraft from the ground; or
b. land on the ground without reasonable excuse.

15 Kites

No person shall fly any kite in such manner as to cause danger or give reasonable grounds for the annoyance to any other person.

16 Council's Liability

The Parish Council does not accept any responsibility or liability for the death of or injury to any person except if caused by the Council's negligence or for the loss of or damage to any property belonging to any person upon the Field and all persons visiting the fields shall do so entirely at their own risk.

17 Miscellaneous

No person shall obstruct

a. Any officer of the council in the proper execution of their duties;
b. Any person carrying out any act which is necessary for the proper execution of a contract with the Council;
c. Any other person in the field.

No person shall behave indecently on the Field nor shall a person intentionally obstruct, disturb or annoy any other person on the fields or in neighbouring properties.

No person shall without the consent of the Council provide or offer to provide any service for which a charge is made.

No person shall, make or permit to be made any noise which is so loud or so continuous or repeated as to give reasonable cause for annoyance to other persons in the Field and neighbouring buildings by

a. Shouting or singing; or
b. Playing a musical instrument; or
c. Operating or permitting to be operated any radio amplifier, loudspeaker or other device designed to broadcast sound.

No person shall without the consent of the Council organise or participate in any religious service, public meeting, assembly, rally or demonstration, whether of a political nature or otherwise

Any person contravening any of these Rules and Regulations may be required by an officer of the Council to leave the Field