



**Lisburn &
Castlereagh
City Council**

BYE-LAWS

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Provided by Lisburn and Castlereagh City Council in pursuance of the provisions of Article 10 (4) of the Recreation and Youth Service (NI) Order 1986, Section 90 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 1972, Section 10 Public Parks (Ireland) Act 1869, Section 15 of the Open Spaces Act 1906, Section 36 and the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898.



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Interpretation

1. In these bye-laws:

'authorised Officer' includes any person employed by a company providing services to the Council in the management or security of the Leisure and Community facilities.

'the Council' means Lisburn and Castlereagh City Council.

'the facility' means any park, and the various parts of the leisure, recreation or community centres' buildings described in the schedule hereto and includes all surrounding ground, car parks and landscape under the ownership, or within the authority of the Council.

'offence' means an offence under these bye-laws and relating to an act committed on or in the facility or surrounding area.

'intoxicating liquor' has the meaning given in the Licensing (Northern Ireland) Order 1996.

2. Nothing in these bye-laws shall:

- a. interfere with or prevent the carrying on or any work in, or supervision and management of, the facilities by Officers of the Council or any other person so authorised by the Council;
- b. prevent the Council from entering into any agreement in respect of the use of the facilities or any part thereof and pursuant to which an act is permitted which would otherwise be prohibited;
- c. prevent the Council from passing a resolution, that these bye-laws or parts thereof for the regulation of the facility shall not be enforced during the course of a specific approved event.

Public Access

3. The facility shall be open to the public on the days and at the times appointed by the Council and as indicated by a notice displayed at or near to the main entrance. It shall be an offence under these bye-laws for any persons to:

- a. enter or leave the facility otherwise than through the recognised points of entrance and exit provided by the Council;

- b. enter or remain in the facility at any time that it is closed to the public unless authorised to do so.

Protection of Property

4. It shall be an offence under these bye-laws for any persons to:

- a. wilfully or negligently damage, deface by writing or graffiti or otherwise, or displace or remove any wall, seat, ornament, barrier, fence, hedge or any other fitting or fixture situated in or enclosing the facility or any machine or implement provided for the purposes of the facility;
- b. climb any wall, fence, gate, hedge, tree or shed in the facility or surrounding areas;
- c. affix any unauthorised notice, banner or bill;
- d. light any firework or fire, except in the case of a permitted barbecue where a barbecue facility is provided by the Council, or drop any lighted match, cigarette, cigar or other lighted object in circumstances likely to cause fire;
- e. interfere or damage any of the equipment situated throughout the facility specifically provided to prevent and protect the users against the outbreak of fire or other emergencies;
- f. wilfully, carelessly or negligently throw, dump or otherwise deposit any litter or waste in the facility except in the receptacle provided for that purpose;
- g. use a metal detector.

Protection of Flora and Fauna

5. It shall be an offence under these bye-laws for any persons to:

- a. wilfully damage, remove, cut or interfere with any turf, or any flower, shrub, tree or other plant;
- b. walk or run over or otherwise disturb any flower bed or any ground set apart for the cultivation of plants;
- c. foul or pollute any stream, lake or pond;
- d. disturb, injure, take, snare or destroy any animal or bird;
- e. take or disturb or destroy the nest or egg of any bird, or the burrow, den, lair or other place of refuge of any animal.

Protection of the Public

6. It shall be an offence under these bye-laws for any persons to:

- a. enter a lavatory or changing facility provided for members of the opposite sex, with the exception of children aged seven years or under who may enter if duly accompanied by

- a parent or guardian;
- b. use any lavatory or changing facility in an improper manner;
- c. wilfully obstruct, disturb, annoy or to do anything which may endanger any member of the public or facility user;
- d. use abusive, indecent or obscene language likely to give reasonable cause for annoyance to other user;
- e. throw or discharge any missile or strike any golf ball or other object;
- f. consume any intoxicating liquor or inject or inhale any illegal drugs.

General Management

7. It shall be an offence under these bye-laws for any persons to:
- a. take part in any activity in any part of the facility at any time when the facility is not open to the public, without the prior consent of the Council or any duly authorised Officer;
 - b. use without the consent of Council any facility for any activity, organized team sport or game other than that for which the facility has been reserved;
 - c. play any radio, CD or similar device, or any musical instrument in a manner likely to disturb or give reasonable cause for annoyance to other persons;
 - d. offer or expose for sale or hire any article, commodity or service without the prior consent of the Council;
 - e. beg from, solicit or importune any other person in the facility;
 - f. fish in, wash or bathe, or swim or wade in, or walk on the ice of any stream, pond or lake;
 - g. use a loud speaker in any part of the facility except with the prior permission of the Council;
 - h. smoke or consume any drink, refreshment or food except in that part of the facility specifically designated for such purposes;
 - i. erect any tent, stall, stand, post or any other structure without the prior consent of the Council;
 - j. camp in a tent, shelter, mobile home, caravan or other similar vehicle, other than in a facility that has been reserved and designated for this purpose and the appropriate fees paid;
 - k. obstruct any authorised Officer of the Council or Police Officer in the proper execution of their duty or acting in the enforcement of these bye-laws.

NB: Every person shall observe the reasonable instructions of any Officer employed in the management of the facility, or any other Officer of the Council with authority to give such instructions. The decision of the authorised Officer will be final in all instances.

Public Meetings

8. It shall be an offence under these bye-laws for any persons to:
- a. preach, lecture or take part in any meeting for political, religious or any purpose or take part in any public show, performance or demonstration, except with the prior consent of the Council and in such part of the facility as may be set aside for that purpose;
 - b. solicit or collect money in connection with any meeting, performance or demonstration, save that organised collection which may be taken up at, and in connection with, any permitted political or religious meeting, or as otherwise permitted by the Council.

Vehicles

9. It shall be an offence under these bye-laws for any persons to:
- a. bring into the facility car park any motorcar, motorcycle, motorised buggy or any other vehicle or any other cart or caravan except over any roadway or car park that may be provided by the Council for that purpose;
 - b. drive any vehicle in the car park area in excess of 10 mph or such other speed limit as may be fixed, pursuant to a Council resolution, by the display of notices within the car park or surrounding area;
NB: This bye-law does not extend to emergency vehicles brought into the car park or surrounding area for police, ambulance, fire brigade or security purposes.
 - c. ride any bicycle or motorized vehicle in the car park or wider surrounding area in a manner which is unsafe or likely to give reasonable cause for annoyance or alarm to other persons using the facility or surrounding area;
 - d. park their vehicle in the designated car park areas at the facility and then leave the facility. Designated car parks are provided for the patrons of the facility only.

Sports, Games and other Activities

10. It shall be an offence under these bye-laws for any persons to:
- a. organise, indulge or take part in any sporting activity in a manner to give reasonable cause for annoyance to other persons using the facilities;
 - b. take part in any game, sport or activity in an unsafe manner likely to cause damage to the facility;
 - c. use for the purpose of playing or taking part in any sport, game or activity in any part of the facility so set aside or permitted to be used without first having duly paid or agreed

to pay any lawful charge made or fixed by the Council for use thereof;

- d. operate any power-driven model aircraft, UAV /drone, hovercraft, boat, car or any power-driven model unless with the prior approval of the Council;
- e. to ride on any Segway, roller boots, skate-board or similar apparatus in a manner likely to cause damage to the grounds of the facility or likely to give reasonable cause for annoyance to other persons in the facility.

Animals

11. It shall be an offence under these bye-laws for any persons to:

- a. bring into the facility any animal (other than a dog), the presence of which is likely to give reasonable cause for annoyance or alarm to other persons;
- b. bring into, or allow to remain in, the facility any horse or pony, or any cattle or other grazing animals, without the prior approval of the Council.

NB: This bye-law does not address the control of dogs in our facilities as the previous system of Bye-laws for the control of dogs and also the dog fouling provision of the Litter order have been replaced by a Dog Control Order regime under the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environmental Act (NI) 2011.

Children's Play Areas

12. In any children's play area, a person shall not:

- a. if he is over fourteen years of age, use the equipment provided except for the purpose of assisting a child under that age;

NB: Children with disabilities over the age of fourteen years of age will be exempt from this restriction, providing it is safe to do so with the equipment being utilised;

- b. use the play area for any purpose other than utilising the equipment provided;
- c. use the equipment provided at any time when it is taken out of service or otherwise put out of use.

Enforcement

13. An authorised Officer of the Council or a Police Officer may, after due warning, remove or exclude from the facility or surrounding area any person who commits, or is reasonably suspected of committing, in the facility or surrounding area an offence against these by-laws.

Revocations

14. The following bye-laws are hereby revoked:

- a. Bye-laws dated 4 July 1988 - Lisburn Borough Council in respect of Regulation and Management of Playgrounds
- b. Bye-laws dated 5 May 1987 - (amended 25 July 1989) – Lisburn Borough Council in respect of Lisburn Leisure and Activity Centres

- c. Bye-laws dated 25 July 1989 - Lisburn Borough Council in respect of Pleasure Fairs
- d. Bye-laws dated 25th January 1996 – Castlereagh Borough Council in respect of Leisure & Community
- e. Bye-laws dated 22 October 1996 - Lisburn Borough Council in respect of Recreational Facilities
- f. Bye-laws dated 28th April 1998 – Lisburn Borough Council in respect of Enclosed Parks
- g. Bye-laws dated 28 April 1998 - Lisburn Borough Council in respect of Regulation of Small Neighbourhood Parks, Open Spaces and Public Walkways

SCHEDULE

A comprehensive list of the Leisure and Community Facilities owned or leased by the Council as at the date of these bye laws is included in the Schedule. However, as the Council's estate varies from time to time as properties are acquired and disposed of, the Council shall maintain and up to date version of the Schedule which shall reflect the status of the Council's estate as at that date and which shall be given full effect, and which shall be the version in force, pursuant to these Bye Laws. A copy of the updated and effective version of the Schedule can be accessed online at www.lisburncastlereagh.gov.uk and in hard copy at Lisburn and Castlereagh City Council Civic Headquarters, Lagan Valley Island, 1 The Island, Lisburn, BT27 4RL.

Leisure & Community Facilities:

PARKS

Bells Lane Park & Allotments
 Billy Neill MBE Country Park
 Boyd Memorial Park
 Carryduff Park
 Castle Gardens
 Derriaghy Glen Linear Park
 Duncans Park/Stockdam Glen
 Hillsborough Forest
 Lagan Park, Dromara
 McIlroy Park including Rambler's Bridge
 McKees Dam
 Millbrook Riverside Park
 Moat Park
 Moira Demesne
 Sir Milne Barbour Park Including Bowling Green
 Tom Robinson Park
 Wallace Park

RECREATION GROUNDS and PLAYING FIELDS

Aberdelghy Golf Course
 Aghalee Playing Fields

Ballybeen Sport & Wellbeing Hub
Barbour Memorial Playing Fields
Cairnshill Playing Fields
Castlereagh Hills Golf Course
Drumbo Playing Fields
Dundrod Pits & Associated Lands
Dungoyne Bowling Green
Hydebank Playing Fields
Kirkwoods Road Playing Fields
Queen Elizabeth II Playing Fields
Rushmore Playing Fields
Seycon Park
Tolerton Sports Zone

PLAY AREAS

Annahilt Play Area
Avonmore Play Area
Ballybeen Play Area, Dungoyne Park
Ballymacoss Hill Play Area
Balyoran Play Area
Breda Terrace Play Area
Campbell Terrace Play Area
Colby Park Play Area
Crossnacreevy Play Area
Culcavey Play Area
Dromara Play Area
Drumlough Play Area
Glenavy Play Area
Green Oak Park Play Area, Killynure
Halftown Play Area
Hilden Play Area
Hillhall Play Area
Hillsborough Play Area
Killultagh Grange Play Area
Lambeg Play Area
Lurganville Play Area
Lyn Grove Hill Play Area
Maghaberry Play Area
Milltown Play Area
Nettlehill Road Play Area
Rathvarna Play Area
Ravernet Play Area
River Road Play Area
Ryan Park Play Area
Stoneyford Play Area
Tonagh Play Area

OPEN SPACES and PUBLIC WALKS

Addison Park Open Space
Ashmount Gardens Open Space

Ballybeen estate (LCCC parts thereof)
Barbour Park
Clonmore Park Open Space
Dalboyne Park Open Space
Fernbank – Beech Park Open Space
Glenmore Dead Wall Plantation Including Islands
Grahams Bridge Open Space
Harry Ferguson Open Space
Hillmount Drive Trim Trail & Outdoor Gym
Hillsborough Road Open Space (East)
Hillsborough Road Plantation (West)
Hill Street Open Space
Killeaton Fields Open Space
Lagan Bank Road Seating Area
Lough Brin Open Space
Mandeville Avenue Open Space
Moneyreagh Village Green
Moss Road Open Space
Mountview Drive Open Space
North Circular Road Open Space
Oakridge Park Open Space
Old Coach Road Open Space
Queens Road Riverside Walk
Strathearne Place Open Space
Union Locks including Horse Back Bridge
Whitla Crescent Open Space
Willows Open Space

BURIAL GROUND

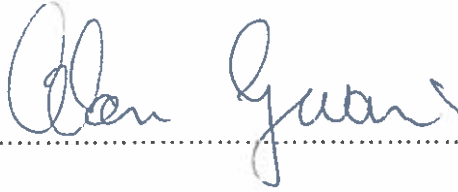
Aghalee Burial Ground
Blaris Old Graveyard
Friends Burial Ground
Kilrush Burial Ground
Lisburn Cemetery
Lisburn New Cemetery & Extension
Portmore Burial Ground
Templecormac Burial Ground
Trummery Burial Ground
Tullyrusk Cemetery
Killaney Graveyard

CENTRES/BUILDINGS

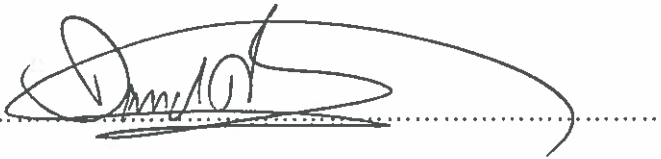
Ballymacash Community Centre (Ballymacash Regeneration Network)
Ballyoran Centre
Bridge Community Centre
Dundonald Leisure Park Including Dundonald International Ice Bowl & Camping & Caravan
Park and Comber Greenway Bridge
Enler Centre
Glenmore Activity Centre
Grove Activity Centre
Hilden Primary School

Hillhall Community Centre
Hillsborough Village Centre
Irish Linen Centre and Lisburn Museum
Kilmakee Activity Centre
Lagan Park, Dromara
Laurelhill Sports Zone
Lisburn Leisure Park Including Lisburn LeisurePlex
Lough Moss Leisure Centre
Maghaberry Community Centre
Moneyreagh Community Centre
Resurgam Trust 3D Youth Centre (Resurgam Community Development)

SEALED with the Corporate Seal of
LISBURN & CASTLEREAGH CITY COUNCIL
in the presence of:



Mayor



Chief Executive

The foregoing bye-laws are hereby confirmed by the Department for Communities for Northern Ireland on this 28 day of February 2020.

Signed: 
A Senior Officer of the Department for Communities

Note Under Section 92 (1) of the Local Government Act (NI) 1972 as amended by Article 6 (5) of the Fines and Penalties (NI) Order 1984 and Article 2 (4) and Schedule 4 of the Criminal Penalties etc (Increase) Order (NI) 1984 and Article 3(2) of the Criminal Justice (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, any person who contravenes a bye-law shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 of the standard scale £500 (five hundred pounds.)