

Heath Common Byelaws

Made by the Rural District Council of Wakefield, in pursuance of a scheme made by the Rural District Council of Wakefield and approved by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under Section 1 (1) of the Commons Act 1899, with respect to Heath Common.

- 1 Throughout these Byelaws the expression “the Council” means the Rural District Council of Wakefield; the expression “the Common” means the piece of land with ponds, streams, paths and roads thereon, commonly known as Heath Common, situate in the Parish of Warmfield – cum – Heath, in the County of Yorkshire (W.R.) and referred to as the “the common” in the Scheme approved by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Commons Act 1899, on the 2nd day of February 1955, and the expression “the Scheme” means the aforesaid Scheme.
- 2 An act necessary to the proper execution of his duty on the Common by an Officer of the Council, or any person or servant of any person employed by the Council shall not be deemed an offence by these Byelaws.
- 3 No person shall without lawful authority camp on the Common.
- 4 No person shall without lawful authority shoot or chase game or other animals on the Common.
- 5 No person shall without lawful authority turn out or permit to graze on the Common, any cattle, sheep or other animals.
- 6 No person, shall without lawful authority dig or take any turf, sods, gravel, clay, sand, or other substance on or from any part of the Common.
- 7 No person shall without lawful authority, cut, fell or injure any gorse, timber or other tree, shrub, brushwood or other plant growing on the Common.
- 8 No person shall remove or carelessly or negligently injure or deface any fence, seat, barrier, or other property maintained on the Common by the Council.

- 9 No person shall without lawful authority draw, drive or place on the Common any carriage, cart, caravan, truck, motorcycle or other vehicle, or any aircraft (except in the case of accident or other sufficient cause).
- 10 No person shall without lawful authority light any fire on the Common.
- 11 A person shall not wilfully obstruct disturb or annoy any other person in the proper use of the Common.
- 12 Every person who shall offend against any of the foregoing Byelaws shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding Twenty Pounds.
- 13 Any Officer of the Council after due warning may remove from the Common any vehicle or animal drawn, driven or placed, or any structure erected or placed thereon in contravention of the Scheme, or any byelaw made under the Scheme, or any person who within his view infringes any such byelaw, or any provision of the Vagrancy Acts.