**Hellingly Parish Council**

**Summary of By-Laws**

**These By-Laws are effective from 11 October 2014 and are in respect of pleasure grounds, public walks and open spaces as listed below:**

Lower Horsebridge Recreation Ground

Lower Dicker Recreation Ground

Hellingly Country Park

In summary the By-Laws cover:

* **Protection of the ground, its wildlife and the public**
	+ Nothing should be removed or damaged
	+ Nothing should be erected without permission
	+ Climbing is not allowed on walls, fences, trees etc.
	+ No animals should be allowed to graze on the land without permission
	+ Wild animals should not be killed, injured or disturbed.
	+ Gates should not be left open
	+ Camping is not allowed without permission of the Council
	+ Fires should not be lit and BBQs are not allowed
	+ Throwing of objects that may cause injury is not allowed
	+ Life-saving equipment should not be removed or tampered with.
* **Horses, cycles and vehicles**
	+ Horses should not be ridden in any of the grounds
	+ Cycles should be ridden with care to avoid danger to others
	+ No cars should be driven onto the grounds except by permission from the Council or in areas customarily used.
	+ No vehicles should be left in the grounds between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. unless consent has been received from the Council
* **Play areas, games and sports**
	+ Persons in Children’s play areas should be under the age of 14 unless in charge of a child under 14
	+ People over the age of 16 should not use equipment specified for the use of children below the age of 16
	+ It is an offence to break any rules of the designated area for playing ball games.
	+ Archery is not allowed
	+ Javelin, hammer, discus and shot are not allowed unless at an organised event
	+ Golf is not allowed
* **Waterways**
	+ Bathing and swimming is not allowed in any waterways
	+ Stepping onto frozen waterways is not allowed
	+ Power driven model boats should not be used on any waterway
	+ Fishing is only allowed with a valid licence from Hellingly Parish Council
	+ Watercourses should not be obstructed or diverted in any way
* **Model Aircraft**
	+ Power driven model aircraft are not allowed
* **Other regulated activities**
	+ Unless permission has been given by the Council no service for which a charge is payable should be offered or goods sold
	+ Excessive noise is not allowed, unless at an event being held with the Council’s consent
	+ Organised shows or performances are only allowed with permission from the Council
	+ The landing or taking off from the grounds in an aircraft, helicopter, hang glider or hot air balloon is only allowed with consent or in an emergency
	+ The flying of kites should not cause a nuisance
	+ Metal detecting is only allowed with the consent of the Council
* **Miscellaneous**
	+ Officers of the Council or anyone carrying out work on behalf of the Council should not be obstructed in any way
	+ Anyone offending against any of these By-Laws may be removed from the ground by an officer of the Council or a police officer
	+ If convicted of offending against these By-Laws a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale may be payable.

*Parish Clerk*

*November 2014*