



# WORTH PARISH COUNCIL

## **OPEN SPACE & PLAY AREA POLICY**

### **1. Introduction**

1.1 Worth Parish Council owns and manages a number of areas of open space and play areas within the parish. This policy sets out guidance as to the proper usage and behaviour within such areas.

### **2. Use of open space, recreation grounds and play areas**

#### 2.1 Protection of the Environment

No person shall

- Climb any fence or wall enclosing the land or play area, nor any tree, barrier railing, post or other erection therein, with the exception of the designated play equipment
- Remove or displace any barrier, post, railing, seat or ornament
- Lie upon grass, turf or other area where signage indicates to keep off the grass
- Cause damage to any planted areas, including trees
- Remove or cause damage to any flower, shrub, tree or plant
- Bathe, wash or wade in any pond, stream or other water
- Foul or pollute any such water
- Kill, molest or intentionally disturb any animal, bird or fish, nor engage in hunting, shooting or fishing or the setting of traps, nets or snares
- Bring onto the open space any vehicle, barrow, truck or machine other than a wheeled bicycle without the express permission of the Council
- Allow their dog to foul the area without cleaning up after it

#### 2.2 Sporting Activities

No person shall

- Drive, chip or pitch a hard golf ball
- Interfere with other users of the open space whilst participating in a sporting activity, formal or otherwise

#### 2.3 Play Areas

No ball games to be played within the fenced area of the play area

No person over the age of 16 shall use the equipment within the play area

#### 2.4 Other activities

No person shall, without the express permission of the Council

- Erect any post, rail, fence, pole, tent, booth, stand or any other structure
- Sell or offer for sale, let or offer to lease, any commodity or article
- Operate a drone, whether for recreational or commercial purposes

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