

HARSTON PARISH COUNCIL

RECREATION GROUND, MEADOW AND ORCHARD

A REMINDER OF OUR RULES, SOME ADVICE AND INFORMATION

Our Recreation Ground, Meadow and Orchard are precious communal facilities there for the whole village and surrounding areas to enjoy. The following are guidelines and rules which apply in order to preserve this environment - for villagers, wildlife and the natural habitat for many years to come. Thank you for observing our rules.

DOGS

- It would be appreciated that dogs are kept on a lead **at all times** when using our communal facilities, including the children's play area. This is for welfare and safety reasons.
- Would owners please dispose of dog litter in the special bins provided. Thank you.

VEHICLES

- Please do not drive or park any cars, scooters or motorbikes on the grassed areas other than overflow car parks.
- Overnight parking is not permitted.
- Other than emergency situations, no vehicular repairs should be carried out.
- All vehicles should park in allocated parking spaces using overflow parking when necessary.

TREES, FLORA AND EQUIPMENT

- The written permission of the Parish Council is required concerning planting, pruning or removing of trees.
- Please do not remove or place any equipment (eg benches) without the written permission of the Parish Council.
- For insurance purposes, fruit or flower picking requires the written permission of the Parish Council.

GENERAL

The following is a list of general rules which are in place for legal, safety or insurance purposes. The Parish Council request your observance to these rules – thank you.

- Please do not dump rubbish or rubbish collection sacks in the Recreation ground.
- Camping or any overnight stays are not allowed without written permission of the Parish Council.
- All organised events, displays or parties must obtain the written permission of the Parish Council.
- Please refrain from playing loud music or any noise that may disturb close neighbours.

- No smoking or vaping is permitted throughout the Recreation ground, Meadow and Orchard.
- No drug usage is permitted throughout the Recreation ground, Meadow and Orchard.
- Please do not bring any animals other than dogs onto the Recreation ground, Meadow and Orchard.
- Visitors should be aware that CCTV or other surveillance systems may be in operation and that images or audio recordings may be captured for security purposes.
- The Parish Council may close the site and restrict public access between 10:00 pm and 7:00 am, or at any other time if required for safety or security reasons.
- Any required written permission may be granted by the Clerk and Chair, or by any two councillors.

OTHER INFORMATION, WARNING NOTICES AND ADVICE

The Parish Council offers the following advice and information so we can all enjoy a happy visit to the Recreation ground, Meadow and Orchard – whatever the time of year and whatever the weather:

- Young children should be accompanied by an adult at all times when using the equipment in the children's play area.
- For safety reasons, please do not shelter under trees during a storm.
- Please only drink water from recognised water fountains.
- There is access to a defibrillator on the Pavilion wall, together with instructions on use. Please inform the clerk if it is used.
- In the event of any emergency, please contact:
 - The emergency services on 999

NOTES:

- **USE OF THE RECREATION GROUND, MEADOW AND ORCHARD IS AT VISITORS OWN RISK. THE COUNCIL DOES NOT ACCEPT LIABILITY FOR LOSS, DAMAGE, THEFT OR INJURY, EXCEPT WHERE REQUIRED BY LAW.**
- BREACH OF ANY OF THE RULES MAY RESULT IN FINES OR CHARGES FOR COSTS INCURRED.
- SHOULD ANYONE BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE ANY OMISSIONS, ALTERATIONS, DELETIONS OR COMMENTS WHICH THEY BELIEVE SHOULD BE MADE TO THESE RULES, PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL TO THE CLERK TO THE PARISH COUNCIL
"CLERK@HARSTONPARISHCOUNCIL.GOV.UK"

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