

# NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL

## Litcham Common Local Nature Reserve Byelaws

The **NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL** in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by Sections 20 21(4) and 106 of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 as in accordance with Section 236 of the Local Government Act 1972 hereby make the following byelaws for the protection of the Nature Reserve at Litcham Common in the Parish of Litcham in the County of Norfolk.

### 1. In these byelaws

- (1) "The Reserve" means the piece of parcel of land containing in the whole 24.071 hectares or thereabouts and situate in the Parish of Litcham in the County of Norfolk declared to be managed as a Nature Reserve by the Declaration dated the 20th day of February 1984 made by the Norfolk County Council in pursuance of Section 21 of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 and the Reserve is for the purpose of identification shown on the map annexed to these Byelaws and thereon edged in a bold black line
- (2) "The Council" shall mean the Norfolk County Council
- (3) "Firearm" shall have the same meaning as in Section 57 of the Firearms Act 1968
- (4) "Notice" shall mean a notice exhibited by order of the Council or their duly authorised agent

2. Within the Reserve the following acts are hereby prohibited except as provided by byelaw 3 and 4 and except insofar as they be necessary to the proper execution of his duty by any person employed by the Council or a duly authorised agent of the said Council

### DAMAGE TO OR DISTURBANCE OF THINGS IN THE RESERVE

- (i) spreading or using any net lamp snare or lure or other instrument for the taking injury or destruction of any living creature
- (ii) taking molesting or intentionally disturbing injuring or destroying any living creature or the eggs or nest of any living creature
- (iii) intentionally removing or damaging any plant or other vegetation whether living or dead
- (iv) intentionally removing any soil gravel sand or rock or mineral substance or defacing any rock
- (v) bringing into or permitting to remain within the Reserve any dog or other animal unless it is kept under proper control and is effectively restrained from injury or disturbing any animal or bird
- (vi) turning out any animal or poultry to feed or graze
- (vii) committing any act which pollutes or is likely to pollute any water

### USE OF VEHICLES OR CERTAIN EQUIPMENT

- (viii) driving riding propelling or parking any mechanically propelled vehicle elsewhere than on a highway or on a road or parking place indicated by a notice as being available for the purpose
- (ix) using any device designed or adapted for detecting or locating any metal or mineral in the Reserve
- (x) carrying a firearms air weapon catapult or bow elsewhere than on a highway
- (xi) discharging any firearm or air weapon or projecting any missile

### GENERAL PROHIBITIONS

- (xii) erecting occupying or using any tent caravan or other structure for the purpose of camping elsewhere than in an area indicated by a notice as being available for camping
- (xiii) erecting any building or structure of any description whatsoever
- (xiv) posting or placing any sign or advertisement
- (xv) selling or offering or exposing for sale or letting for hire or offering or exposing for letting for hire any commodity or article
- (xvi) intentionally removing defacing damaging or destroying any notice or any apparatus wall fence gate notice board barrier railing post or hide
- (xvii) lighting any fire stove heater or other appliance capable of causing a fire elsewhere than in an area indicated by a notice as being available for camping

(xviii) letting fall or throwing any lighted match or lighted substance in a manner likely to cause a fire

(xix) intentionally leaving items in a place other than receptacle provided for deposit of litter or refuse

### INTERFERENCE WITH DULY AUTHORISED OFFICER PERSON OR AGENT

(xx) intentionally obstructing any person employed by the Council or a duly authorised agent of the Council in the execution of any research or scientific work or any work connected with the laying out maintenance or management of the Reserve

3. (1) The Council or their duly authorised agent may issue permits authorising any person to do any act or class of acts within the Reserve or any part thereof which would otherwise be unlawful under these byelaws

(2) Any such permit shall be issued subject to the following conditions:

- (a) That it must be carried whenever a visit is made to the Reserve and produce for inspection when required by any duly authorised person and
- (b) That it may be invoked by the Council or their duly authorised agent at any time

4. These byelaws shall not interfere with the exercise -

- (a) by a person of:
  - (i) a right vested in him as owner or lessee of land in the Reserve
  - (ii) any easement or profit a prendre to which he is entitled
  - (iii) any public right
- (b) of any functions by a local authority a statutory undertaker or water or other drainage authority
- (c) by a constable or member of any fire brigade or ambulance service or the armed forces in the performance of his duty

5. Any person who offends against any of these byelaws shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding the sum of FIFTY POUNDS for each day during which the offence continues after the said conviction

**GIVEN UNDER THE COMMON SEAL OF THE NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL THE FOURTEENTH DAY OF JANUARY, ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE**

**THE COMMON SEAL of the NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL was affixed in the presence of:**

T.D.Molander, County Solicitor

The Secretary of State hereby confirms the foregoing byelaws Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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