BOROUGH OF WORTHING

WORTHING PIER

Byelaws made by The Borough Council of Worthing in pursuance of Section 83 of the Harbour, Docks and Piers Clauses Act 1847 and Section 58 of the Worthing Pier Order 1920 (as confirmed by the Pier and Harbour Order Confirmation (No. 3) Act 1920) to regulate the use of the Pier at Worthing.

Interpretations

1. In these Byelaws unless a contrary intention appears:

'The Council' means The Borough Council of Worthing,

'The Pier' means the Pier known as the Worthing Pier together with all landing places, works, buildings, structures and conveniences now and hereinafter existing thereon or connected thereto,

'Master' includes any person for the time being in charge of a vessel,

'Vessel' includes any steamer, ship, boat, raft and craft of every class and description however propelled.

Tickets to be shown

2. Every holder of a ticket or pass shall produce and show such ticket or pass when required to do so by a duly authorised officer of the Council or shall in default pay the authorised toll or charge. Any authorised officer not in uniform shall produce a duly authenticated document showing his authority if required to do so.

No vehicles allowed

3. No person shall without reasonable excuse place, use or drive on any part of the Pier any stall or any cart, barrow, truck, bicycle or any other carriage of any description, except with the permission of a duly authorised officer of the Council.

Animals

4. No person shall without the prior consent of the Council take, drive or entice any dog or other animal on to the Pier of have any dog or other animal under his charge on the Pier unless in the case of a dog it is carried or held on a leash.

No touting for custom

5. No person shall when on any part of the Pier without authority from the Council in any manner tout or

importune persons using the Pier for the purpose of selling or advertising any article or obtaining custom.

Bathing

6. (i) No person shall without reasonable excuse, bathe, dive, jump or attempt to bathe, dive or jump in the sea from the Pier

(ii) No person bathing in the sea shall without reasonable excuse land or attempt to land or climb upon the Pier.

Sale of goods

7. No person shall sell, or expose or offer for sale, any commodity or article or any animal, fish or other living thing on the Pier unless in pursuance of an agreement with the Council such person may be duly authorised to do so.

Musical instruments and wireless apparatus

8. No person shall when on any part of the Pier, except with the permission of the Council play upon any musical instrument and or operate, or knowingly cause be operated any apparatus radio, loudspeaker, gramophone, amplifier or similar instrument in such a way as to give reasonable cause for annoyance.

No stoves allowed

9. No person shall use on the Pier a spirit stove or other stove of any description, without the permission of the Council.

No clambering on Council's property

10. No person shall without reasonable excuse jump, climb, or get over the hand-railing on the Pier, or any barrier enclosing any part of the Pier except for the purpose of making lawful use of any vertical boarding ladder or for the purpose of tending the mooring of any vessel.

Safety Equipment

11. No person shall without lawful authority or reasonable excuse interfere with fire hoses, fire hydrants, automatic fire alarms or other safety equipment on the Pier.

Fishing

12. No person shall on or from the Pier, fish or use any rod, line, net or other means of catching fish otherwise than on or from such part or parts of the Pier as the Council may from time to time allow to be used for the purpose and shall be specified in a notice or notices affixed or set up in some suitable and conspicuous position on the Pier.

Overhead casting

13. No person shall intentionally cast his fishing line from the Pier deck such a manner that his weights, hooks

or other tackle pass over or within the limits of the Pier deck side railings Provided that this Byelaw shall not apply to such part or parts of the Pier as the Council may from time to time allow to be used for the purpose and shall be specified in a notice or notices affixed or set up some suitable or conspicuous position on the Pier.

Fishing waste to be removed

14. No person using the Pier for the purpose of fishing shall without reasonable excuse leave dirt or waste which may have been caused by him in the process of fishing or any materials, items or associated matters brought by him on to the Pier and used by him for the purpose of fishing in such circumstances as to cause contribute to or tend to lead to the defacement of the Pier.

Vessels not to be to secured without permission

15. Unless authorised to do so by the Council the Master of a vessel shall not without reasonable excuse permit the same to be secured or made fast to the Pier or left unattended.

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Fenders or rubbers.

16. The Master of every vessel approaching or mooring to the Pier shall cause, except with reasonable excuse, to be put down sufficient fenders or rubbers.

Landing of goods.

17. No person shall without reasonable excuse land or attempt to land on or from the Pier any goods without the consent of the Council.

Obstruction.

18. No person shall intentionally obstruct or give reasonable cause for annoyance to any person in the proper use of the Pier or intentionally obstruct, any officer of the Council in the proper execution of his duty, or any person or servant of any person employed by the Council in the proper execution of any work in connection with the repair or maintenance of the Pier.

Execution of duties.

19. An act necessary to the proper execution of his duty on the Pier by an officer or servant of the Council or by any person or servant of any person employed by the Council, shall not be deemed an offence against these Byelaws.

Removal of offenders.

20. Any officer or servant of the Council on duty on the Pier may refuse admission to the Pier to any person whom such officer or servant of the Council may have reasonable suspicion of endeavouring to obtain admission to the Pier for the purpose of creating or causing the creation of any nuisance or disturbance or acting in a manner prejudicial to the Council or to visitors on the Pier,

and if any such person as aforesaid is found on the Pier, or any other person is found contravening or failing to comply with any of these Byelaws or is reasonably suspected of such contravention or failure, such officer or servant of the Council or any constable may remove such person from the Pier.

Obstruction of free passageway.

21. No person shall intentionally obstruct the free Passage on, to or from any part of the Pier.

Penalty

22. Every person who shall offend against any of the foregoing Byelaws shall be liable for every such offence to a fine not exceeding the sum of FIFTY pounds.

23. In these Byelaws wherever the Council's permission consent or authorisation is required to be sought such permission consent or authorisation shall not be unreasonably withheld.

THE COMON SEAL OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF WORTHING was hereunto affixed this Twentieth day of May One thousand nine hundred and eighty eight in the presence of:-

S P Taylor
Deputy Borough Secretary

28th June 1988

J. R. Fells
An Assistant Secretary
Department of Transport