

New Parks and Open Space Byelaws Consultation Summary

Responses from online public consultation and general comments received from the public.

Issue	Comments	Actions
Cycling	Cyclists should (or not) be allowed to use all parks' paths.	Although Byelaw 16 limits cycling to only designated routes these can be defined according to need. Where feasible the Council is implementing more shared cycling routes (with pedestrian priority) where required and reducing others if there are significant conflicts.
	Current byelaws and proposed unenforceable	With clearer designated cycling routes and relevant byelaws signage should make enforcement more practical.
Dogs	No reference to dog control or dangerous dogs (or other problem animals).	Not included in proposed byelaws - covered by the Environment Protection Act 1990 and Dangerous Dogs Act.
		More recently, the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 has allowed the Council to introduce Dog Control Orders which give the Council powers in relation to control of dogs and deposition of dog faeces. These orders replace the current dog byelaws.
Model Aircraft	Kite Land boarding should be permitted and a dedicated area assigned.	Byelaw 42 does not prohibit kite land boarding explicitly. Furthermore, the opinion of the DCLG is that this byelaw does not

		prohibit kite land boarding. Council officers do not consider it to be a significant nuisance to impose any further restrictions not already provided by proposed byelaws. Designating a specific area for Kite Boarding is not feasible due to conflicts with Ministry of Defence statutory use of site and proximity to Wormwood Scrubs Prison.
	Times of operation for flying too restrictive and should be allowed on the weekends.	These times have been retained as previously set out in the existing byelaws. Advice from ROSPA recommended minimising conflict with other sports and park users hence retention of the timetable proposed as weekends are when the Scrubs are most used.
	Quiet electric model aircraft should (or not) be included in Byelaw 6/35 (hours of flying).	Proposed byelaws 35, 36 and 37 are retained as they all relate not just to the noise of model aircraft but the general safety of flying any model aircraft to the other park users.
Skating	Roller-skating and other wheeled sports should (or not) be permitted in all areas of parks.	Byelaw 22 only allows skateboarding in designated areas. This is pertinent for managing safety of other park users.
Pest control	No reference to vermin control in proposed byelaws.	Not included in proposed byelaws as already covered by Environmental Protection Act and other primary legislation.
Vehicle access	Excludes entry of permitted vehicles	Authorised vehicles are permitted under Byelaw 21.
Noise Control	Proposed Byelaw 40 should be extended to cover noise affecting neighbours.	New byelaw 53 includes measures to manage excessive noise.