LEVER PARK - RIVINGTON

BYE-LAWS

FOR THE REGULATION AND MANAGEMENT OF LEVER PARK, AND FOR PREVENTING POLLUTION OF ANY STREAMS OR WATERS.

The following Bye-Laws shall come into operation upon and after the 1st day of September, 1904:—

1.—In these Bye-Laws the expression "Corporation" shall mean and refer to the Corporation of Liverpool, and the expression "the Park" means Lever Park.

2.—The Park shall be open to the public every day from sunrise to sunset.

3.—in the event of any serious outbreak of typhoid fever or cholera in the Borough of Bolton or elsewhere in the neighbourhood of the Park, the Park shall be closed during such days as the Medical Officer of Health of the City of Liverpool shall certify to be necessary, and the fact that the Park is closed for this purpose shall be indicated by a notice or notices affixed or set up in some conspicuous position at or near to the several entrances to the Park.

4.—No person shall deposit or place any human excrement in the Park or any part thereof, except in latrines, urinals, or other receptacles specially provided for the purpose.

5.—No person shall in any way foul or pollute or cause to be fouled or polluted any stream flowing through or being in the Park.

6.—No person shall deposit Rubbish, Waste Paper, or other litter in the Park, except in receptacles provided for the purpose.

7.-No person shall beat, shake, or clean any Carpet within the Park.

9.-No person shall throw any stone or missile within the Park.

8.—No person shall bathe or wash in any water within the Park.

10. No person shall cause or suffer any dog belonging to him or in his charge to enter the Park, unless led by a string or chain.

11.—No person shall take part in or promote any organised public gala, fete, or sports, or any gathering of exceeding 1,000 persons within the Park area unless the holding of such gala, fete, sports or gathering has been specifically sanctioned in writing by the Corporation.

12.—No person other than an officer or servant of the Corporation or a person or servant of a person employed by them in or about any work in connection with the laying out, planting, improvement or maintenance of the Park, shall enter or remain in the Park during any time in which the Park may be closed.

13.--No person in an unclean or verminous condition, shall loiter or remain in the Park, or lie upon or occupy the ground or any of the seats therein.

14.—No person shall take any horse, mule, or ass or any cart, carriage, or other vehicle, or any bicycle, tricycle, velocipede, motor, or other like conveyance over any part of the Park other than the Public Roads, (if any) or roads specially set out for Vehicular traffic.

Provided that the foregoing prohibition shall not apply in any case where upon an application to the Corporation for permission to take any horse, mule, or ass or any cart, carriage, or other vehicle, or any bicycle, tricycle, velocipede, motor, or other like conveyance over any part of the Park other than the said roads upon such occasion or on such days and at such hours as shall be specified in such application, the Corporation may grant such permission subject to compliance with such conditions as they may prescribe.

15.—No person shall fish in any waters in the Park.

Provided that the foregoing prohibition shall not apply in any case where upon an application to the Corporation for permission to fish in any waters in the Park or upon such occasion or on such days and at such hour as shall be specified in such application, the Corporation may grant such permission subject to compliance with such conditions as they may prescribe.

16.—No person shall Skate, play at Cricket, Football, Hockey, Rounders, Lawn Tennis, Quoits, Curling, or any other Game, or take part in any Athletic Sports, Races, or Gymnastics, elsewhere than in such parts of the Park as may from time to time be set apart by the Corporation for the purpose, and may be indicated by a notice or notices affixed or set up in some conspicuous position at or near to such parts.

17.—No person shall play Football in the Park between the 1st April and the 30th September inclusive, and no person shall play Cricket between the 1st October and the 31st March inclusive; and in the case of Cricket the wickets shall not be pitched at a less distance than 25 yards from any road or plantation.

18.—No person shall interfere with any other person while Skating, playing at any Game, or taking part in any Sports in such parts of the Park as may be so as aforesaid set apart for such purposes.

19.—No person shall take part in any Horse, Pony, or Donkey Races in the Park.

20.—No person shall sell or offer for sale in the Park any refreshments of any kind, newspapers, goods, wares, or merchandise without first obtaining the consent in writing of the Corporation to do so.

21.—No person shall play any musical instrument in any part of the Park, provided that this prohibition shall not apply in any case where upon an application to the Corporation for permission to any person or band of musicians to play upon such occasion or on such days, and at such hours as shall be specified in such application, the Corporation may grant, subject to compliance with such conditions as they may prescribe, permission to such person or band to play in the Park.

22.—No person shall walk upon any Flower Bed, Border, Shrubbery, or Plantation, or get over or through any Fence in the Park, or go upon any Grass or upon any Ice where a notice is placed requesting persons not to go upon, over or through the same respectively.

23.—No person shall Sing, Preach, Lecture, or take part in any Religious Service, Public Discussion, or Meeting for political or religious purposes in the Park.

24.—No person shall carelessly or negligently injure any Building, Terrace, Fountain, Bridge, Walk, Seat, Fence, or other part of, or anything belonging to the Park; or wilfully, carelessly or negligently destroy or injure any Aquatic or other Bird or the nest or eggs thereof, or carelessly or negligently destroy or injure any Animal, Tree, Plant, Shrub, or Flower, or pluck any Flower or Leaf within the Park.

25.—Every person offending against any of the foregoing Bye-Laws shall be liable for every such offence to a penalty of Five Pounds, and, in the case of a continuing offence, to a further penalty of Ten Shillings for every day during which any offence shall continue after written notice shall have been given by the Corporation to the person offending against such Bye-Law. Provided, nevertheless, that the Justices or Court before whom any complaint may be made or any proceedings may be taken in respect of any such offence may, if they think fit, adjudge the payment, as a penalty, of any sum less than the full amount of the penalty imposed by this Bye-Law.

26.—Every person who shall infringe any Bye-Law for the regulation of the Park may be removed therefrom by any officer of the Corporation or by any police constable in any one of the several cases hereinafter specified; that is to say:—

(I) Where the infraction of the Bye-Law is committed within the view of such officer or constable and the name and residence of the person infringing the Bye-Law are unknown to and cannot be readily ascertained by such officer or constable.

(II) Where the infraction of the Bye-Law is committed within the view of such officer or constable and from the nature of such infraction, or from any other fact of which such officer or constable may have knowledge, or of which he may be credibly informed, there may be reasonable ground for belief that the continuance in the Park of the person infringing the Bye-Law may result in another infraction of a Bye-Law, or that the removal of such person from the Park is otherwise necessary as a security for the proper use and regulation thereof.

27.—Nothing in or done under any of the Provisions of the foregoing Bye-Laws shall prejudice or injuriously affect any rights, powers or privileges legally exercisable by any person in, over, or in respect of the Park.

The following Bye-Laws shall come into operation upon and after the 1st day of January, 1914:—

1.—The following Bye-Law shall be read and construed together with, and shall be deemed to be incorporated with, and form part of the Bye-Laws relating to Lever Park, Rivington, which were made by the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of Liverpool acting by the Council, on the twelfth day of July, 1904, and were confirmed by the Local Government Board on the twenty-fifth day of August, 1904.

2.—A person shall not, in any part of the Park, wilfully obstruct, disturb, interrupt, or annoy any other person in the proper use of the Park, or wilfully obstruct, disturb, or interrupt any officer of the Corporation in the proper execution in the proper execution of any work in connection with the laying out, planting, improvement, or maintenance of the Park.

Under the terms of the Lever Park Act 1969, minor boundary changes were effected, and the ownership of certain land in the vicinity of Rivington Pike became vested in the Chorley R.D.C. On 1st April, 1974, ownership of that portion of Lever Park owned by Liverpool Corporation became vested in the N.W.W.A. and that portion owned by the Chorley R.D.C. became vested in the Chorley D.C.