

BYELAWS

MADE BY THE

Urban District Council

Of

Havant and Waterloo

With respect to Tents, Vans, Sheds and similar Structures used for human habitation in the Urban District of Havant and Waterloo.

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Made under section 268 (4) of the Public Health Act, 1936, by the Urban District Council of Havant and Waterloo with respect to Tents, Vans, Sheds and similar Structures used for human habitation in the Urban District of Havant and Waterloo.

1. Paragraphs (i) (ii) (iii) (v) (vi) and (x) of byelaw 3 shall apply only to tents, vans, sheds and similar structures used for human habitation which are used as regular dwelling places. Paragraphs (ix) and (xi) of the aforesaid byelaw and byelaw 5 shall apply only where a tent, van, shed or similar structure used for human habitation is used as a regular dwelling place or is placed on a site which is regularly used for dwelling places.

2. In these byelaws-

“the Council” means the Urban District Council of Havant and Waterloo;

“the district” means the Urban District of Havant and Waterloo;

“infectious disease” means small-pox, cholera, diphtheria, membranous croup, erysipelas, puerperal pyrexia, the disease known as scarlatina or scarlet-fever, and the fevers known by any of the following names, typhus, typhoid, enteric or relapsing;

“The Medical Officer of Health” means the Medical Officer of Health for the district, or any legally qualified medical practitioner lawfully authorized to act on his behalf;

“the occupier” in relation to a tent, van, shed or similar structure used for human habitation means the person who for the time being has the charge, management, or control of such tent, van, shed or structure:

“the occupier” in relation to land which is not let means the owner.

3. The occupier of a tent, van, shed or similar structure used for human habitation shall, when so used, -

- (i) maintain it so as to be reasonably weather-proof;
- (ii) provide it with a suitable dry flooring, or other dry covering for the ground;
- (iii) except in the case of a tent, provide it with adequate means of ventilation;
- (iv) provide it with a sufficient and accessible receptacle for the storage of water, thoroughly clean, with proper covering, and maintained in good order;
- (v) provide a sufficient supply of wholesome water for the use of the inmates of the tent, van, shed or structure;
- (vi) in the case of a van cause the internal surface and the floor to be thoroughly cleansed as often as may be necessary;
- (vii) cause all solid or liquid filth to be removed therefrom as soon as practicable
- (viii) cause every vessel, utensil, or other receptacle used for containing or removing any solid or liquid filth to be sufficiently cleansed immediately after it is emptied;
- (ix) maintain in good order and in a reasonably clean and wholesome condition any privy accommodation for which he is responsible;
- (x) provide a sufficient receptacle for refuse;
- (xi) deposit broken glass, bottles, tins, litter or other refuse in the receptacle or place provided for the same;
- (xii) not, in connexion with such tent, van, shed, or similar structure, -
 - (a) deposit or cause any solid or liquid filth to be deposited within forty feet from the tent, van, shed or structure, or from any dwelling-house, except in a proper receptacle;
 - (b) deposit or cause any solid or liquid filth or any litter or rubbish to be deposited in any place so as to cause a nuisance;
 - (c) keep any animal, or deposit any filth or the dung of any animal, within the distance of forty feet from any well, spring, stream, or other water used or likely to be used by man for drinking or domestic purposes, or for manufacturing drinks for the use of man, or any water used or likely to be used in any dairy, or otherwise in such a position or in such a manner as to render any such water liable to pollution.

4. The occupier of a tent, van, shed or similar structure used for human habitation who is aware that any inmate thereof is suffering from an infectious disease shall adopt all reasonable precautions ordered by the Medical Officer of Health for preventing the spread of the disease, and, if he is the occupier of a tent or van, -

- (a) Shall, if the Medical Officer of Health orders the removal of the tent or van from any site, remove it to some other site within the district to which it may lawfully be removed;
- (b) Shall not without the consent of the Medical Officer of Health remove the tent or van from the site on which it may be until it has been disinfected.

5. The occupier of any land who allows any tent, van, shed or similar structure used for human habitation to be erected brought or used on such land shall-

- (a) notwithstanding anything in paragraph (v) of byelaw 3 provide in some suitable place readily accessible from the tent, van, shed or similar structure, if it is not otherwise so provided or available, a sufficient supply of wholesome water for the use of the inmates of the tent van, shed or structure;
- (b) if nuisance is likely to arise from the want of privy accommodation, means for the disposal of waste water, or of a receptacle for refuse for the use of the inmates of the tent, van shed or similar structure, provide in some suitable place readily accessible from the tent, van, shed or similar structure, if it is not otherwise so provided or available, sufficient privy accommodation, adequate means for the disposal of waste water, or a sufficient covered receptacle for refuse as the case may be, and shall maintain the same in good repair and order and in a reasonably clean and wholesome condition:

Provided that this byelaw shall not apply where a site, including the ground within twenty feet of it on every side, is not occupied by a tent, van, shed or similar structure for longer than forty-eight hours in the aggregate within any continuous period of seven days.

6. The occupier of any land who allows any tent, van, shed or similar structure used for human habitation to be erected brought or used on such land shall-

- (a) as often as may be necessary for the prevention of nuisance on that land, clear ditches, hedge bottoms and bushes of any broken glass, bottles, tin, litter or other refuse;
- (b) not permit a greater number of tents, vans, sheds or similar structures to be placed on the land than will allow a distance of ten feet between each tent, van, shed or similar structure and the next.

Penalties

7. Every person who shall offend against any of the foregoing byelaws shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding five pounds, and in the case of a continuing offence to a further fine not exceeding forty shillings for each day during which the offence continues after conviction therefor.

Repeal of byelaws.

8. The byelaws with respect to tents, vans, sheds and similar structures used for human habitation which were made by the Council on the Twenty-eighth day of November, 1935, and were confirmed by the Minister of Health on the Eighteenth day of February, 1936, are hereby repealed.

Sealed with the Common Seal
Of the Urban District Council of
Havant and Waterloo at a Meeting
of the said Council held on the
Nineteenth day of April, 1938,
in the presence of:

WILLIAM DOYLE
Chairman

ALBERT E. MADGWICK
Clerk of the Council

The foregoing byelaws are hereby confirmed by the Minister of Health this Twenty –
Seventh day of April, 1938, and shall come into operation on the First day of June,
1938.

F. SLATOR,
Assistant Secretary
Ministry of Health