

RALEIGH PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

DP No 270003

ANIMALS & PASSIVE RECREATION POLICY

Policy and rules made in accordance with By-law 39 and By-Law 68 of Raleigh Park Community Management Statement (“CMS”)

I. ACCESS TO THE PARKLANDS OF RALEIGH PARK

Passive Recreation

The open space areas (“the Parklands”) in the Raleigh Park estate are private property maintained by the Raleigh Park Community Association (“the RPCA”). Under By-law 68 of the CMS, members of the public are entitled to use the Parklands for the purpose of passive recreation.

Roads in Raleigh Park

The roads within Raleigh Park are public roads and are owned and maintained by Randwick City Council.

II. ANIMALS – POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Animals are permitted in the Parklands, as well as on the roads and footpaths.

Dogs must be held on a leash at all times. They are not permitted within 10 metres of the children’s playground. Waste must be cleaned up immediately and disposed of. (Fines apply in relation to these matters under the *Companion Animals Act, 1998*.)

Animals are not permitted in the tennis courts, the community hall or the swimming pool enclosures.

III. PASSIVE RECREATION – POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Governing Principles

The governing principles behind the RPCA policy regarding the use of the Parklands by both residents and members of the public are as follows:

- The Parklands are for the use of residents and members of the public for passive recreation.
- Use of the Parklands must not cause damage to any area, including the lawns, gardens, shrubs, trees, children’s playground area, fixtures and fittings, or any other RPCA property.

Passive Recreation

“Passive recreation” includes picnics, walking, sitting and reading, sunbaking, using the children’s playground, and ball games that do not interfere with other park users. On the other hand, organised community team sports are not.

Lines of Authority

The estate manager and security guards are to apply the guidelines as set out below:

Security guards are to take instructions from the estate manager when the estate manager is on site, in relation to the regulation of activity in the Parklands.

When the estate manager is not on site, the security guards shall apply the guidelines in determining if an activity is acceptable or not. If the security guards require further guidance, they should seek instruction from the following persons in the order listed:

1. The chair of the RPCA Association Committee, and if not available, then
2. The chair of the RPCA Gardens and Grounds subcommittee, and if not available, then
3. Any other member of the RPCA Association Committee.

Guidelines for the Estate Manager and Security Guards

Any activity that by its noise or nature interferes with the reasonable and quiet use of the Parklands by other users, or the quiet and peaceful enjoyment of Raleigh Park residents of their homes is not permitted.

The following are examples of activities that are not permitted:

- Organised community team sports.
- Kicking or throwing balls against walls and fixtures or using them as wickets or backstops.
- Anything that may cause damage to the lawns, gardens, plants or trees.
- The use of whistles, loud playing of music, or anything else that may cause excessive noise.

- The introduction of jumping castles and other large scale play or recreational equipment.
- The use of motorised items such as drones, model airplanes and the like.

Removal of Rubbish

The Parklands must be left in a clean and tidy state and all rubbish must be removed.

Estate Manager's and Security Guard's Discretion

The estate manager and security guard on duty shall use discretion in applying these guidelines.

Association Committee
Raleigh Park Community Association
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