



WOOD STREET VILLAGE GREEN POND

VOLUNTEER FISHERY BAILIFF AGREEMENT

This Agreement is made between Worplesdon Parish Council ("the Council") and Matt West ("the Volunteer Bailiff").

Purpose

The Volunteer Bailiff has kindly agreed to assist the Council in monitoring fishing activities and the general condition of Wood Street Village Green Pond.

This is a voluntary role and does not constitute employment or create any contractual right to remuneration.

Duties

The Volunteer Bailiff agrees to:

- Monitor fishing activities at the pond on an informal basis.
- Promote responsible angling and good behaviour.
- Request anglers aged 13 years and over to produce a valid Environment Agency rod licence where appropriate.
- Provide advice and guidance to anglers regarding fishing rules and good practice.
- Distribute information leaflets and guidance issued by the Council when necessary.
- Remove discarded fishing line, tackle, litter and other rubbish where it is safe to do so.
- Monitor the welfare of fish, waterfowl, nesting birds and other wildlife.
- Advise anglers that the Parish Council requests that fishing be avoided during fish spawning periods in order to minimise disturbance and stress to breeding fish.
- Promote good fish welfare practices, including the careful handling and prompt return of fish where catch-and-release fishing takes place.
- Report any concerns regarding pollution, vandalism, anti-social behaviour, damaged infrastructure, injured wildlife or other issues directly to the Council.
- Act in a courteous and professional manner when dealing with members of the public.

Authority

The Volunteer Bailiff has no statutory enforcement powers and must not place themselves at risk or become involved in any confrontation.

Any serious incidents, suspected criminal activity or anti-social behaviour should be reported to Surrey Police and/or the Council as appropriate.

Equipment

The Council will provide suitable waders for use when undertaking agreed volunteer duties.

+ litter picker
+ hoop.

The Volunteer Bailiff is responsible for ensuring that any equipment is used safely and only for its intended purpose.

The equipment to be returned on cessation of this agreement.

Fish Welfare

The Council is committed to protecting the welfare of fish and other wildlife within Wood Street Village Green Pond.

The Volunteer Bailiff shall encourage responsible angling practices and advise anglers that the Council requests that fishing be avoided during recognised spawning periods in order to minimise stress and disturbance to fish at this sensitive time.

Health and Safety

The Volunteer Bailiff agrees to take reasonable care of their own health and safety and that of others.

The Volunteer Bailiff shall not enter the water, approach wildlife, remove litter or undertake any activity without carrying out a dynamic risk assessment (voice message via WhatsApp to the Parish Office).

The Volunteer Bailiff confirms that they have received and read any relevant health and safety information provided by the Council.

Duration

This Agreement shall commence on the date signed below and may be terminated at any time by either party by giving immediate notice to the other.

Signed for and on behalf of Worplesdon Parish Council

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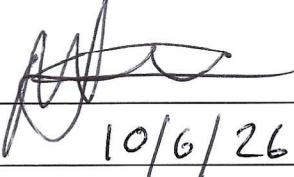
Position: CLERK TO THE COUNCIL

Signature: 

Date: 10/06/26

Volunteer Fishery Bailiff

Matt West

Signature: 

Date: 10/6/26