# **Ringland Parish Council**

### **Canoe & Boat Permit Application – Ringland River Green**

#### Background:

In 2009 the Environment Agency carried out extensive work to rebuild the badly eroded river bank at the Ringland River Green. Advice received stated this was in part due to extensive use from launching boats and canoes from this area. In order to protect any future deterioration of this area the Parish Council introduced a byelaw:

#### Byelaw 5.22

In this Part: 5.22 "boat" means any canoe, yacht, motor boat or similar craft but not a model or toy boat;

#### **Boats**

5.23. No person shall launch or land any boat, (dinghy, canoe, sailboard or Inflatable) from or onto any ground (The River Green) without the consent of the Council in writing.

At the March 2012 Parish Council meeting it was agreed to introduce a Permit scheme which permits an applicant to apply and, subject to agreement of conditions, receive a Permit giving permission to launch/land a 'boat' from this area. This will apply to individuals only (not Groups) and shall not be required for children's inflatables. The permit holder must be present when using the river. The permit will consist of an individual serial number which should be quoted to any official of the council, if challenged.

**Residents of Ringland may obtain a Permit at no charge.** For those applicants reside outside of the village then a £5 charge applies which covers the boat for the period ending at the next 31<sup>st</sup> March. If you wish to apply, please read the terms and conditions overleaf and complete and return the following to:

Signed:

**PRIVACY NOTICE** – The information supplied in respect of the application will be used for the sole purpose of the agreement and will be kept for the minimum period required to carry out the agreement and for the financial year to which it relates.

(Use your Surname with canoe (if possible) as the reference)

The legal basis we rely on to process your personal data is article 6(1)(b) of the GDPR, which allows us to process personal data when this is necessary to fulfil the contract with you.

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### **Terms & Conditions:**

Ringland Parish Council wishes to support responsible use of the village common land (including River Green) whilst ensuring the long- term safety and preservation of the land for future users.

We therefore ask, in applying for a permit, that you observe the following:

- "Boat" means any canoe, yacht, motor boat or similar craft but not a model or toy boat.
- The permit holder must be present with the 'boat' at time of use.
- Members of Ringland Parish Council may request site of permit for any person seen launching/landing a 'boat' from the River Green.
- To avoid riverbank erosion, users must avoid dragging any 'boat' over the riverbank.
- All persons launching /landing/using a 'boat' at the River Green do so at their own risk.
- All persons launching/landing/using a 'boat' are responsible for ensuring that they are wearing a suitable flotation device.
- It is the users' responsibility to obtain and relevant access permission where the river passes through privately owned land.
- All users of the River Green are asked to place all rubbish in the bins provided or take home.
- No BBQs are permitted on the River Green
- Ringland Parish Council reserves the right to withdraw any permit issued should there be failure to comply with the terms and conditions