

# **Town Council of Ang Mo Kio (Common Property and Open Spaces) By-laws 2011**

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**No. S 501**

**TOWN COUNCILS ACT  
(CHAPTER 329A)**

**TOWN COUNCIL OF ANG MO KIO  
(COMMON PROPERTY AND OPEN SPACES)  
BY-LAWS 2011**

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 24 and 49 of the Town Councils Act, the Town Council for the Town of Ang Mo Kio hereby makes the following By-laws:

**Citation and commencement**

**1.** These By-laws may be cited as the Town Council of Ang Mo Kio (Common Property and Open Spaces) By-laws 2011 and shall come into operation on 1st September 2011.

**Definitions**

**2.—(1)** In these By-laws, unless the context otherwise requires —

“common property” and “open space” mean any common property and any open

space, respectively, within the Town of Ang Mo Kio;

“housing estate” means a housing estate of the Board within the Town of Ang Mo Kio;

“mobility aid” means any of the following carrying an individual who is unable to walk or has difficulty in walking:

- (a) a wheelchair (motorised or otherwise);
- (b) a mobility scooter as defined by the Active Mobility Act 2017 (Act 3 of 2017);

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“park” means to bring a vehicle to a stationary position and cause it to remain for any purpose;

“parking place” has the same meaning as in the Parking Places Act (Cap. 214);

“public path” means a path declared under section 6 of the Active Mobility Act 2017 as a public path;

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“sign” includes all signals, warning sign posts, direction posts, notices, banners and advertisements;

“vehicle” means a vehicle, whether mechanically propelled or not, intended or adapted for use on the road, such as (but not limited to) a bicycle, power-assisted bicycle or personal mobility device as defined by the Active Mobility Act 2017, but excludes any mobility aid.

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(2) Nothing in these By-laws shall prohibit any officer or employee of the Town Council or any person authorised by the Town Council from doing any act that is reasonably necessary or expedient in the enforcement of these By-laws.

(3) These By-laws do not affect the rights of the public to pass along a public path within the Town of Ang Mo Kio in accordance with the Active Mobility Act 2017.

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### **Dumping and renovation debris**

3.—(1) No person shall place, deposit, keep or leave, or cause or permit to be placed, deposited, kept or left, any object, material, article or thing on any common property or in any open space except on such common property or in such open space designated by the Town Council for that purpose.

(2) No person shall transport any renovation debris or other building material in any lift in a building in any housing estate, or over any other common property or open

space, except with the prior written permission of the Town Council.

### **Unauthorised structures**

4.—(1) No person shall erect or install any fixture, structure or thing on any common property or in any open space except with the prior written permission of the Town Council.

(2) Any person who has erected or installed any fixture, structure or thing in contravention of paragraph (1) shall, if requested in writing by the Town Council —

(a) remove at his expense that fixture, structure or thing; and

(b) repair any damage to the common property or open space,

within 7 days of that request being served on him, in default of which the Town Council may remove that fixture, structure or thing and repair any such damage caused.

(3) The amount of expenses incurred by the Town Council in removing the fixture, structure or thing and performing the repairs shall be recoverable by the Town Council from the person who has erected or installed that fixture, structure or thing.

### **Entertainment and sale of goods on common property and in open spaces**

5. Except with the prior written permission of the Town Council, no person shall —

(a) hold or stage or cause the holding or staging of any show, play, wayang or other entertainment or any reception or formal party on any common property or in any open space; or

(b) sell or offer or expose for sale any commodity or article on any common property or in any open space.

### **Obstruction of common property**

6.—(1) No person shall obstruct or cause or permit the obstruction of the lawful use of any common property with any object, fixture or thing.

(2) The Town Council may remove and detain any object, fixture or thing obstructing the lawful use of any common property.

(3) The Town Council shall immediately give written notice to the owner or person having lawful possession of the object, fixture or thing removed and detained by the Town Council that he may, on payment of the expenses incurred by the Town Council in such removal and detention, claim possession of such object, fixture or thing from the Town Council within 30 days of such removal and detention.

(4) If the object, fixture or thing removed and detained by the Town Council is not

claimed by the owner or person having lawful possession thereof within 30 days of such removal and detention, the Town Council may —

- (a) dispose of such object, fixture or thing by public auction or otherwise; and
- (b) apply the proceeds of the sale to the expenses incurred by the Town Council in the removal and detention, and the surplus, if any, shall be paid to such owner or person.

### **Damage to common property**

7.—(1) No person shall remove, destroy or damage, or remove any earth or soil from, any common property.

(2) The costs and expenses including administrative costs incurred by the Town Council in restoring any damaged common property to its condition before such removal, destruction or damage or in replacing earth, soil or any other property that has been removed shall constitute a debt due to the Town Council and shall be recoverable as such.

### **Damage to turf, plant, shrub or tree**

8. No person shall —

- (a) remove, cut, damage or dispose of any turf, plant, shrub or tree or part thereof situated on any common property or in any open space; or
- (b) pick any shrub or plant or part thereof situated on any common property or in any open space.

### **Display of signs**

9. No person shall display or cause or permit to be displayed any sign on any common property or in any open space except with the prior written permission of the Town Council.

### **Unlawful parking, etc.**

10.—(1) No person shall, without the prior written permission of the Town Council

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- (a) park any vehicle on any common property or in any open space except in a parking place; or
- (b) use, ride or drive on any common property or in any open space any vehicle other than a perambulator, a child's toy vehicle used solely by a child, a mobility aid, or any vehicle authorised by the Town Council.