

# Grey District Council **Access to Walkways/Cycle Track Bylaw**

This bylaw was first adopted by the Grey District Council on 13 June 2011.

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# GREY DISTRICT COUNCIL ACCESS TO WALKWAYS/CYCLE TRACK BYLAW

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 105 of the Local Government Act 2002 and any Acts passed amending this Act, any other enabling legislation, the Grey District Council herewith, by Special Order, make and adopt this Bylaw.

### 1.0 TITLE

1.1 This Bylaw will be known as the '**Grey District Council Access to Walkways/Cycle Track Bylaw**'.

### 2.0 COMMENCEMENT

2.1 This Bylaw shall come into force on 13 June 2011 and any subsequent amendment or review, on the date of its confirmation by Council.

### 3.0 PURPOSE OF BYLAW

3.1 The purpose of this Bylaw is to prohibit the use of motorised vehicles, with the exception of those motorised vehicles defined in section 6.0, from accessing and using the walking tracks/cycleways identified herein and to provide for general conduct of users of such tracks.

### 4.0 AVAILABILITY OF PRINTED COPIES

4.1 Copies of this Bylaw will be provided free of charge to any person requesting it.

### 5.0 BYLAW TO PREVAIL

5.1 This Bylaw should be read in conjunction with all other Bylaws and, where this Bylaw is inconsistent with any other Bylaw, the provisions of this Bylaw shall prevail.

### 6.0 INTERPRETATION

6.1 In this Bylaw, unless inconsistent with the context –

COUNCIL means Grey District Council.

MOTORISED VEHICLE means any vehicle or cycle powered or otherwise mechanically propelled but excludes disability electric powered scooters used and operated by bona fide people with a disability, pedal or push powered cycles with battery or small electric motor propulsion assistance and bona fide maintenance vehicles commissioned by or on behalf of Council.

WALKING/CYCLING TRACKS refer to:

- The walking track at the Cobden Aromahana Sanctuary & Recreation Area (base of the former Cobden dump site).
- The Grey District portion of the West Coast Wilderness Trail (Greymouth Station to Ross Cycle Track) identified as such by signs and notices.

## **7.0 PROHIBITION ON ACCESS TO OR USE OF WALKING/CYCLING TRACKS BY MOTORISED VEHICLES**

- 7.1. The walking and cycling tracks are meant for the exclusive use of walkers, joggers, cyclists and people with disabilities using conventional mobility scooters in a responsible manner.
- 7.2. With the exception of the motorised vehicles defined in section 6.0, the use of any other motorised vehicle on any part of the walking/cycling tracks is specifically prohibited.

## **8.0 PETS AND ANIMALS ON WALKING/CYCLING TRACKS**

- 8.1. All dogs on the walking and cycling tracks must be on a short leash at all times.
- 8.2. Owners/handlers are responsible for the removal and appropriate disposal of their dog faeces.
- 8.3. Access to the walking and cycling tracks by horses, mules and other such animals is specifically prohibited.

## **9.0 OFFENCES AND PENALTIES**

- 9.1. Any person found to have contravened the provisions hereof or who have been reasonably accused of doing so will be prosecuted and, apart from any punitive measures the Court may impose upon conviction, will be liable for payment of the following charges with Council reserving the right to request the Court to confiscate the motorised vehicle used during the contravention as security for payment of the charges in full:
  - The full cost of repairing any damage caused by the contravention including administration costs.
  - Council's reasonable cost of attending the call-out and investigation of the contravention.
  - Any legal and related costs associated with the Court process.