

# LONGFORD COUNTY COUNCIL

## DRAFT GRANARD ( PARKING) BYE-LAWS 2013

**Longford County Council** (hereinafter referred to as “the Council”) in exercise of the powers vested in it by Section 36 of the Roads Traffic Act 1994 having consulted with the Commissioner of the Garda Siochana, hereby makes the following Bye Laws:

### **PART 1 – PRELIMINARY**

#### **SHORT TITLE**

1. These Bye-Laws shall be known as Longford County Council Granard (Parking) Bye-Laws 2013.

#### **AREA OF APPLICATION**

2. These Bye-Laws apply to the area comprising the town of Granard in the administrative area of County Longford, as delineated in the map and defined in the First Schedule attached hereto.

#### **INTERPRETATION**

3. In these Bye-Laws:

“**Access**” means entry or exit by vehicles to or from premises adjacent to or accessible only from a road and includes stopping a vehicle on a roadway solely for the purpose of loading or unloading goods on to or from such vehicles from or to such premises;

“**Buffer Area**” means an area between two parking bays;

“**Council**” means Longford County Council;

“**Disabled Persons Parking Bay**” means a space intended for the parking of a mechanically propelled vehicle in which is displayed a valid Disabled Persons Parking Permit and the person named on the permit is travelling in the vehicle;

“**Disabled Persons Permit**” means a permit issued under Article 43 of the Regulations of 1997;

“**Pedestrian Access Only**” means an area accessible only on foot/by walking

“**Footway**” has the meaning assigned to it by Section 2(1) of the Act of 1993;

**“Goods Vehicle”** means a vehicle used exclusively for carrying goods and taxed for commercial purposes;

**“Information Plate”** means an information plate accompanying Traffic Sign RUS018, which indicates the period during which a valid parking disc must be displayed, the maximum parking period, and the fee for a parking disc;

**“Loading Bay”** has the meaning assigned to it in Article 42; of the Regulations of 1997;

**“Parking Bay”** means the area contained between lines of the type referred to in Article 18 of the Regulations of 1997;

**“Road”** has the meaning assigned to it by Section 2(1) of the Act of 1993;

**“Road Inset”** means a part of a roadway specially inset in a footway or road verge;

**“Roadworks”** has the meaning assigned to it in Section 101(d) of the Act of 1961;

**“The Act of 1994”** means the Road Traffic Act, 1994 (No. 7 of 1994);

**“The Regulations of 1997”** means the Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) Regulations 1997; (S.I No. 182 of 1997)

**“The Regulations of 1997 (Amended)”** means the Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) (Amendment) Regulations, 1998 (S.I No. 274 of 1998)

**“The Signs Regulations of 1997”** means the Road Traffic (Signs) (Amendment) Regulations 1997; (S.I No 181 of 1997)

**“The Regulations of 1998”** means the Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) (Amendment) (No.2) Regulations, 1998 (S.I No.441 of 1998)

**“The Regulations of 1998 (Amended)”** means the Road Traffic (Signs) (Amendment) Regulations, 1998 (S.I No. 273 of 1998)

**“Traffic Sign”** has the meaning assigned to it by Section 95(1) of the Act 1961, as amended by Section 37 of the Act of 1994

## **First Schedule**

### **PART 2. DISABLED PERSON'S PARKING BAY**

4. A person shall not park a vehicle in a Disabled Person's Parking Bay without having displayed therein a valid Disabled Person's Parking Permit. Location of proposed Disabled Parking Bays are shown on the map associated with these Regulations.

### **DISABLED PERSONS PERMIT**

5. Where a disabled person holds a "Disabled Persons Permit" issued under Article 43 of the Regulations of 1997, Bye-Law 4 and Bye-Law 5 of these Bye-Laws shall not apply to a specified vehicle parked for the convenience of the person to whom that permit was granted.

### **DISPLAY OF VALID DISABLED PERSONS PERMIT**

6. A valid "Disabled Persons Permit" shall be so displayed in the interior of the vehicle in respect of which it was issued, that it can be read from outside the vehicle.

### **EXEMPTIONS**

7. Bye-Laws 4 to 8 of these Bye-Laws shall not apply to:
  - (a) A vehicle being used in connection with the removal of an obstruction to traffic, the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of a public road, the provision, alteration or repair of a main drain, pipe or apparatus for the supply of water, a vehicle being used for the provision or repair of a traffic sign.
  - (b) A vehicle being used for the maintenance or supply of electricity or of a telecommunications line which has prior written permission from the Council.
  - (c) A fire brigade vehicle, an ambulance or a vehicle being used by a member of the Garda Siochana and the Defence Forces in the performance of the duties of that member.
  - (d) A vehicle being used by a Traffic/Litter Warden in the performance of his/her duties.
  - (e) A vehicle parked while goods are being loaded in or on to it or unloaded from it, for a period not exceeding thirty minutes from the commencement of the parking.

- (f) A vehicle parked at the edge of a roadway while a passenger is entering or leaving it.
- (g) A vehicle which has been damaged or has broken down, during the period necessary to effect repairs to the vehicle or remove it from the location.