

Wembdon Parish Allotments

Policy Document 2012

Ownership

Wembdon Parish Council from April 2011

Policy Start Date

20th May 2012

Statement of Ownership

The Parish Council purchased the said allotments in the Parish of Wembdon for the sole and only activity of Cultivation of vegetables and associated products. The land is to be used at all times in accordance with allotment holders agreement with the Parish Council. The Council reserve the right to discontinue the arrangement when the agreement is broken by the holder of the allotment.

The Allotments in Wembdon were purchased for the use of the Community in the Parish of Wembdon and are not aimed to provide a profit for the Parish Council and are not to be regarded as a commercial enterprise.

The Requirements of the Parish Council

As per meeting agreement 26th March 2012 minute item

1. Each plot shall be let at an economic rent, to be fixed by the Parish Council in February of each year for the period of hire April to March of the following year. The fees will become due in April for a period of 12 months and should be paid within 28 days of the start of the Financial year. It shall be lawful for the Parish Council to take repossession of the plot of land and thereupon the tenancy shall be absolutely determined , but without prejudice to the Wembdon Parish Council's right to the recovery of the rent due in arrears.
2. No Allotment holder shall be allowed to continue as a tenant who has not paid all subscriptions due to the Parish Council.
3. The plots shall be let in order of application from a register of applicants kept by the Parish Council Clerk should there be more applicants than plots available.
4. The Plots from April 2012 will be let on a first come first served basis and priority will be given to applicants living in the Parish of Wembdon. Any plots available may be then let to non residents of the Wembdon Parish at the discretion of the Parish Council allotments working group

5. No building of any kind shall be erected on the plot that is larger than 6ft x 6ft x 6feet high and shall be placed in a position that is satisfactory to adjoining plot holders in terms of light allowance. A well may not be dug without the absolute permission of the Parish Council
6. No fruit or rose bush shall be planted within 3ft of the road or path ways. The growing of fruit trees will require the express permission of the Parish Council.
7. No dogs shall be allowed on the grounds unless on a leash, nor shall young children be allowed unless accompanied by an adult.
8. No rubbish of any kind shall be deposited on road, ditch or pathway
9. No barbed wire to be used as fence adjoining any path set out by the Parish Council of Wembdon.
10. No notice or advertisement to be placed or erected on the allotment
11. Water butts are not to be used for the washing of tools, containers or produce. Many diseases are transmitted in water i.e club root wilts and rust.
12. The sighting of or presence of rats or other vermin are to be reported to the Parish Council at once.
13. Poisons or Chemicals not to be left on site at any time.
14. Each allotment holder shall keep his or her plot under proper cultivation, also use his or her best endeavour to protect the fences, his or neighbour's produce and keep the walkways in good order.
15. Any person wishing to relinquish the plot shall give notice to the Parish Council clerk of 28 days and no compensation will be made for unused rental period.
16. No household will be able to rent more than one plot without permission of the Parish Council for plots where agreement is taken out after April 1st 2012.
17. All of the above rules and regulations shall be strictly enforced by Wembdon Parish Council and its officers and shall be considered as part of its agreement made between the hirer and the Parish Council. The Parish Council will have right of re entry and possession of the ground for breach of and non-performance of any such rule

18. Any matter not detailed above or not provided for in the rules and regulations will be matters of decision by Wembdon Parish Council allotments working party.

19. Any hirer of an allotment plot in Wembdon shall only be able to hire one unit under the terms of this policy unless specifically approved by the Parish Council of Wembdon.

20. If any hirer shall not tend the rented plot for a period of 8 weeks the Parish Council reserve the right to let the plot to the next person on the waiting list. The 8 week period starts from the date of this Policy and the accompanying letter

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Agreed at a meeting on 26th March 2012

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