

Drinkstone Parish Council

Allotments

Report to the Ordinary Meeting Dated Monday 6th March 2023

Agenda Item; Councillor Portfolios

During the last month I have visited both sets of allotments and can report that the general condition is good on both sites.

To date I have received notification from a tenant on the Gedding Road Allotments that they wish to hand it back. I have contacted the next people on the waiting list and at the time of writing I am still awaiting a response. This will leave 2 people on the waiting list.

The native hedging whips kindly supplied by Cllr Holborn have been planted to fill in gaps and replace the overgrowth to the side of The Old Chapel Cottage on Gedding Rd.

Cllr Lambert has organised a working party to assist in clearing the overgrowth and old fencing on the Parish land running adjacent to the entrance of Garden House Lane. The works are scheduled for Saturday 4th March.

The Clerk also needs to prepare the allotment agreements and raise invoices for the growing year April 2023 to March 2024. This year can we e mail the agreements and invoices via PDF where possible to reduce postage costs. For those tenants where we do not hold an e mail address hard copies can be printed off and I will deliver them.

We agreed at our last meeting that the Clerk was appointed the signatory on the Allotment bank account. We need clarification on any action taken since the last meeting.

I have made a speculative request to District Cllr Otton for £500 out of her remaining locality budget for us to buy more daffodil bulbs for Gedding Rd, The Street and Cross Street. I have still to hear if my request has been successful.

Prepared by Cllr Edmondson

27th February 2023