



## WEXHAM COURT PARISH COUNCIL

## TENANCY CONDITIONS / ALLOTMENT RULES

- 1. This Tenancy shall be from year to year for 364 days. Plot sizes will vary. The Parish Council review allotment rents annually and make any such alterations as they deem necessary. The Tenancy Conditions can also be reviewed at any time to ensure compliance with the Council's requirements and associated Health & Safety legislation. Rent reviews apply from the beginning of the allotment year (1<sup>st</sup> September). Information concerning present rents can be obtained from the Assistant Clerk or the Allotment Manager. The Council may at its discretion charge a deposit to new Tenants who obtain a plot in suitable condition.
- 2. Rent is payable on the 1<sup>st</sup> September each year. If this has not been received by the Parish Council by the 30<sup>th</sup> November of the same year the Council will assume without further notice that the Tenancy has lapsed. If a receipt is required, Tenants who do not call in person with their rent must enclose a stamped addressed envelope with their remittance.
- 3. The Tenant's correct name and address must be given to the Parish Council in writing to the Assistant Clerk or Allotment Manager.
- 4. Should a Tenant move to a house outside of the Wexham Court Parish boundary, the Parish Council must be advised immediately and will reserve the right to terminate the Tenancy forthwith.
- 5. A key to the allotment gates will be supplied at the commencement of Tenancy. A replacement key may be supplied at a cost of £6. The Parish Council reserves the right to change the locks and keys as required and to make a charge towards costs if it wishes.
- 6. Tenants and their visitors must restrict their movements and activities to their own plots and the shared main path only. Trespass onto other plots is not permitted.
- 7. The Tenants shall be responsible for the conduct of any person entering the allotments with the Tenant's consent.
- 8. Dogs or any other animals accompanying their owners to the allotment gardens must be kept on leads and under their owners' control at all times. Trespass or fouling by animals will not be tolerated.
- 9. The Parish Council or their Agent(s) may at any time enter and inspect any allotment garden, and will be responsible for determining if there is any breach of these regulations.
- 10. Tenants shall not underlet, assign or part with the possession of the allotment garden.
- 11. Conditions as to cultivation: (General Conditions). All Tenants shall:
  - a. Keep the entire allotment garden clean and tidy at all times of the year and in a good state of cultivation and fertility, and in good condition. This must include the regular control of weeds.

- b. Regularly cultivate the allotment, including planting and harvesting of crops at appropriate times throughout the year.
- c. Not cause any nuisance or annoyance to the occupier of any other allotment garden, or obstruct any path set out by the Council for the use of the occupiers.
- d. Not, without the written consent of the Council, cut or prune any timber or other trees, other than fruit trees, or take, sell or carry away any mineral, gravel, sand or clay.
- e. Keep every hedge, grass verge and footpath that form part of their allotment garden properly cut and trimmed, and properly use any fences and gates in the allotment garden area.
- f. i. Not, without the written consent of the Council, and planning consent if required, erect any building on the allotment garden. Maximum of one shed may be permitted, which must be of sound construction and presentable appearance and not larger than 6' x 4'. Existing sheds will generally not be affected at the discretion of the Council.
  - ii. Any shed erected with the approval of the Parish Council must be used solely for the Tenant's use of the allotment, i.e. the shed must not be used for any activities or storage not connected with the cultivation of the allotment.
- g. Ensure that no barbed wire is brought to or used on any part of the allotment gardens.
- h. Ensure that no glass is brought to or used on any part of the allotment gardens.
- i. Observe and perform any other special conditions which the Council may consider necessary in order to meet requirements and preserve the allotment garden from deterioration.

## 12. Special Conditions:

- a. All Tenants must carefully note that an allotment must be wholly or mainly cultivated for the production of vegetables, flowers or a limited number of fruit trees. The produce must be for consumption or use of the Tenant or his/her family, and must not be used for trade or business purposes.
- b. Maintenance of boundary paths: All Tenants must properly and jointly with their neighbours mow the grass of paths adjoining their plots. Paths must be kept free of debris at all times, and are to be maintained at or restored to one yard in width. This includes the outside boundaries of plots, thus providing an inspection and maintenance area for the entire site boundary.
- c. Lighting of bonfires must be restricted to the holders' plot only, and to dry on-site allotment waste which will burn readily, and always under the control of the Tenant. (Wet waste which might smoulder should be composted, and waste/refuse must <u>not</u> be brought onto the site from elsewhere). Never cause a nuisance to other Tenants. Fires are only permitted on Tuesday or Thursday evenings and must not be lit before 6pm in the summer, 4pm in the winter.
- d. It is the responsibility of the Tenant to promptly remove any rubbish or other inappropriate items that may be present on their allotment. (Accumulation of rubbish could be made the subject of