



Allotments Newsletter Number 1 August 2010

Welcome to the quarterly newsletter. Your Parish Council representatives are now Cllr Julie Moss and Cllr Lisa Mills; we can be contacted via the Clerk, Alex Jack on 01634 566166 or e-mail clerk@cliffeandcliffewoods-pc.gov.uk (addresses and contact numbers are on the Parish Council website).

We were delighted to see so many tenants at the first meeting we held in July and as a result of that we intend to hold quarterly meetings starting in October. We will let you know when and where a bit nearer the time.

At the first meeting a number of problems (as below) were highlighted to us and these have now been passed on to the relevant people at the Parish Council. We will let you know the outcome as soon as we can.

- Fence needing repair
- Fencing at the field end of the allotment site
- Water pressure dropping when demand is high

Polytunnels

It was agreed, unanimously, that polytunnels are not required. We were granted money for the purchase of these and you suggested that we buy small cold frames instead. We have put this proposal to the Parish Council who are looking into it for us. We need to establish whether we can use the grant for other purposes and if so, we are looking at the costs involved. We will advise outcome.

Other items

The tenants who attended the meeting agreed unanimously on the following items:

- No sub-committee is to be formed by allotment holders. They are quite happy for Cllrs Moss & Mills to work on their behalf.
- No communal plots are to be organised because of the workload to current tenants.

Other news

- We are in the process of allocating vacant plots to people on the waiting list and five plots are to be offered immediately. Subsequent plots will be offered as soon as they have been cleared and we hope to have completed this process by the autumn.
- Toilets . the issue of toilet facilities arose. It is difficult to have toilets on site because of the maintenance costs involved. However, once the footballers changing facilities have been completed it may be that a key system could be arranged to allow access to the toilets there. The tenants seemed happy with this idea.
- Invoices will be coming to you in August along with the new tenancy agreement. Can you please ensure that your payment and the signed tenancy agreement are returned to Alex within the 30 days remittance period. We would like to apologise for the delay in sending these out this year but we had quite a few Parish Council changes and things got a little delayed. As from next year the invoices will be sent out on time in April and will cover the year 1st April 2011 to 31st March 2012.

If you have any items of news or anything that you think might interest other allotment holders please let us know and we will include it in the next newsletter (October 2010).

