

Patch Allotment Report April 27th 2025

Rentals

Invites have been sent. Three plots have been let. The current waiting list is 16 which includes 3 recent new applications. The next set of invites will be sent shortly after the first full blown plot inspection.

Plot inspections.

The regular monthly reviews are about to resume, the first of which was a walk around to review the general condition of the site. The first full blown inspection is planned for 30th April using the new Edge system and tablet. One termination notice has already been issued due to plot condition and repeated failure to comply with T's & C's.

Advantedge System

The new database software is up and running P Nash and the allotments secretary are using it to administer the site. A further person has been added to the license list to administer the financial part of the operation.

Apart from a few minor teething issues (new system awareness) it is functioning.

Edge IT continue to assist with the occasional administrative issue as it/they arise.

Future Capitol projects

A management meeting was scheduled to discuss future projects i.e. repairs to the ridings and repairs to the toilet roof. Quotations for the repair of the ridings have subsequently been chosen. The first is a quote from Smith Aggregates for 9 x 1 ton bags of crushed concrete for £322.50 + £64.50 VAT = £387. The second is for the hire of a whacker plate for a week for £45 + VAT. A deposit of £500 is required for the whacker plate and petrol used will need to be paid for.

Chairperson

The current chair reminded the committee that she only intended to commit to 1 year in office and the committee have agreed to begin looking at replacement candidates prior to the AGM.

Death of Les Burgess.

Les passed away on the 26th April after a short illness. His guidance and unrelenting support for the Allotments will be sorely missed.

Patch Allotment Association.