

# Bognor Regis Town Council

## Allotments SUMMER 2019 NEWSLETTER



### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ALLOTMENT HOLDERS

**ALL TENANTS INVITED SO SAVE THE DATE!**

TUESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER 2019

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER FROM 7.00 PM WITH THE MEETING COMMENCING AT 7.15 PM

### TREES

Trees should not be allowed to grow over 8ft or 2.5m. If you have a tree on your plot taller than this please prune it as soon as it is safe to do so.

### WATER

Please use water carefully during dry periods. You may use a hose whilst on the allotment but **MUST NOT** leave it running unattended. The Rules on using hoses state:

"Hosepipes - You are not permitted to leave a hose pipe with running water unmanned"

**PLEASE NOTE: Watering cans are to take priority**

**Hoses must be disconnected from the tap and stored on the plot or in a shed when not in use.**

### SLUGS AND SNAILS

Last year the government announced sales of Metaldehyde, a pesticide used to control slugs in a range of crops and in gardens, are to be banned from June.

Chemical means of pest control are **not allowed** on the Allotments, but we are aware slug pellets have been used.

Please consider an ecological alternative. Products using diatomaceous earth will stop slugs and snails crossing the application. Products such as Feed & Fortify or Diatom powder used in poultry houses are effective even after rain but completely harmless to animals and humans.

More information here:

<https://www.allotment-garden.org/garden-diary/6467/mystery-weed-slugs-snails-the-movie/#.XTbevq5ykkA>.link

**PATHS AND EDGES** Don't forget to keep paths and edges clear and cut or mown. If your plot is on the outside of the site next to the perimeter fence you should keep at least a metre away from the fence. Sheds or materials leant against the fence acts as a step for intruders, can damage the fence and means Town Force cannot strim and clear weeds from the fence line.



### BBQs

**BBQs are permitted but must be disposed of off-site and fully extinguished after use.**



### RENT RENEWALS

Annual rents will be due on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2019. Please look out for your bill which will arrive during September. **PLEASE NOTE: Rents for 2020 have been rounded up to the nearest £ to facilitate banking.**

### ANNUAL AWARDS

Judging for the 2019 Best Kept Plot Award (Original Site), The Sharon Stubbings Memorial Award for best kept plot (Re-established Site) and the Roy Gristwood Best Use of Plot Award have now taken place. Winners and Runners-Up will be announced at the AGM in October and awards presented. There will also be an Improvers Award for the Most Improved Plot. This will be judged by the tenant representatives during the year.

The Young Achievers Award is given to any young helpers who are nominated. Please let us have names and the school or nursery attended by 1<sup>st</sup> September as we hope to involve the school in the presentation of the Award.



### TENANT REPRESENTATIVES 2019/20

At the Annual Meeting in October tenants can nominate and vote for two tenants to become their representatives for the year. The Rep's role is to represent the plot holders to the Council

- \* To have a diplomatic role, when plot holders are in breach of the regulations for example
- \* To show prospective tenants the available plots
- \* To put notices up when necessary
- \* To judge the Reps Award for "Most Improved Plot"
- \* To represent their site at the Committee Meetings of the Allotments Sub-Committee and at the Annual General Meeting. Usually three meetings in total a year
- \* To assist with Health and Safety Inspections (1 or 2 a year)
- \* To offer advice and assistance to plot holders when requested

Nominations can be made on the night, if the nominated tenant is present, or in advance with the nominees written consent. Nominations on the night for tenants not present who have not given written consent cannot be accepted. Please contact us by phone 01243 867744 or email:



**If you do not understand anything in this newsletter please contact us**



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