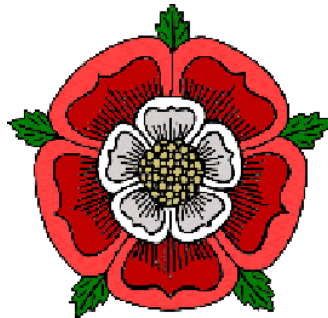


# **BRADING TOWN COUNCIL**



# **ALLOTMENTS POLICY**

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## ALLOTMENTS POLICY

### **This Policy covers the use and risks associated with the Town Council's allotments situated off Station Gardens, Brading.**

The Allotments will be governed in compliance with:

- the Smallholdings and Allotments Act 1908
- Allotments Act 1925
- Allotments Act 1950
- Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 29, para 9
- Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 Sec 1(5) and Schedule 34.

The land is divided up into 17 plots, not of equal area, and some have been sub-divided into two half plots to accommodate the wishes of some existing plot holders.

Each plot holder enters into a Tenancy Agreement with the Town Council which is renewable annually. The rent payable reflects the size of the plot, or half plot. Renewal is subject to compliance with all conditions within the Tenancy Agreement.

The Rental charged will not be increased by more than 5% in any year, and is payable on 1 April each year.

Where possible the income received from Tenants will be re-invested into improvements to the Allotment land.

A meeting of all Tenants will be convened between March and April each year to discuss suggestions and proposals for the forthcoming year.

Any plots becoming vacant will be assessed, and new Tenants will be prioritised with Brading residents on the waiting list having first refusal. Any defects found, or property left on the site will be removed and the previous Tenant charged.

Should a plot require extensive working to bring it into a proper state of cultivation, then the Town Council has the discretion to waive the rental charge for a period of time to be agreed with the new Tenant.

Tenants are not permitted to sub-let their plots privately, without the consent of the Town Council.

Allotments are for rent to private individuals only to grow produce for their own personal use, and no plants or produce may be sold without the express permission of the Town Clerk.

A designated person from the Town Council will carry out regular Health and Safety checks and report to the Town Clerk any recommendations for remedial work, stating whether the work is of an emergency nature.

Signed



Mayor of Brading

Dated 21 June 2021