

FAVERSHAM ALLOTMENTS

Report for our 4 allotment sites and possible new sites. The sites were open within the allotment guidelines during the pandemic, any plots where the plot holder had to isolate works were carried out by other plot holders, no inspection were carried out during this time.

Stonebridge

This site has a committee that are running really well, Town council assist when requested, Town council arranged for anti-climb paint on wall in Flood Lane, also bird spikes placed above 3 metal gates around the site, to try and reduce break-ins. No reports of break-ins received in the last 6 months. Trees and hedges reduced on Davington hill.

Ongoing complaint regarding water levels effecting resident's patio, this was raised with SBC. The committee manage the water levels by opening the pent stock when required, it was agreed that they are doing a great job, but issue is still there it was agreed that the resident would raise the level of her patio. This will be monitored on a monthly basis due to the water levels raising around our coastline.

We still have a barrier protecting the site on Brent hill from works to install the temp bridge crossing the creek at Front Brents, was told this would be for 1 year, we are in our 2nd year now.

The waiting list is 65, expected wait at least 5 years

Millfield

This site has a committee that again are running really well, Town council assist when requested, Town council arranged for 6 popular trees to be reduced around the site, received a grant for works to there communal building. We are in process of obtaining quotes to run a new water supply to the entrance gate in Millfield Road

The waiting list is 20, expected wait at least 5 years

North Preston

This site the Town council took over the running due to issues with the committee and plot holders. The treasurer Les was happy to continue in his role. The site has really improved we were able to fill the empty plots with new tenants which has assisted in improving the community spirt. Works are ongoing and we are liaising with all plot holders and assisting when required. This site we have remeasured and mapped each plot. The communal shed has a new key safe to allow plot holders access to allotment Lawn mower and strimmer, this will allow plot holders to maintain the communal walkways between there plots.

The waiting list is 16, expected wait at least 5 years

St Nicholas

This is the newest site; we are still awaiting retrospective planning permission for the boundary fence. Mitigation is to reduce the North fence from 2.4m to 2m, also to line the N & S fence with a hedge, we have obtained these plants from the woodland trust delivery is November 2021. They are also looking to move our Western boundary fence by 1m to link in with the new housing development on the brick works.

Due to this we can't at this time get a management agreement agreed with the committee that has been set up by the plot holders. We maintain full control.

All plots are now taken, and site is looking really good.

The waiting list is 7, expected wait 5 years.

Perry Court!!!

We have been told that as part of planning and 106 a new site will be going near the Aldi site, but subsequently been advised that the planning permission for the allotments has not been granted. There has been a lot of misinformation received and it would be helpful to find out what the current position is, but SBC seem unable to provide an answer due to lack of staff.

I've tried to get this confirmed and when they will be available, unfortunately I've heard nothing back. We have 12 on the waiting list.

Love Lane!!!

We have again been told that there will be a new site, I've had 3 residents wanting to go on waiting list. This site I have no contact details.

OUTSTANDING MATTERS

The main outstanding issues is our planning application with SBC and our boundary fence at St Nicholas site.

Information of possible compilation of works for new Perry court allotment site, Also Love Lane?

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