WOODLEY ALLOTMENT TENANTS ASSOCIATION SPECIAL BULLETIN - 46

COVID-19 - Update

As the 'Stay at Home' restrictions remain in force. The Allotment Committee wanted to remind all Plot holders about a number of points that we should all be adhering to during our time on the Allotment Site. This Special Bulletin is a copy of a recent post on the Allotment Facebook Group page as we realise that not all Plot holders are on Facebook.

The National Allotment Society also continues to update their guidance notes which can be found <u>here</u>. Please visit their page on a regular basis for new updates.

Visiting your plot - At the moment a daily visit to your plot is acceptable as your exercise - there have been road blocks in the area where police are checking travellers, so advice from some tenants is to carry a copy of your tenancy agreement to make the process easier.

Communal toilet - At the moment the communal toilet remains open, but users are advised to take precautions when using it as it is not cleaned on a regular basis and there is no toilet paper or hand wash.

Staying on your plot - People have been seen using the site to walk their dogs I.e. not coming to tend their plots, using the site for their daily run and children have been running, cycling or scooting around the site. The committee respectfully asks these actions to stop - please follow the guidelines and remain on your plot!

Bonfires - Please think before you light a bonfire. People are isolating at home with the virus, the last thing they need is smoke in the air, if you must light a fire please check the wind direction and only burn dry material. Please also note there will be no more bonfires allowed after the end of the month due to the new restrictions per recent WTC changes.

Members should also take the following precautionary measures:

- Keep hand sanitiser in your shed and wash your hands regularly
- Use hand sanitiser before opening and after closing any gate locks
- Wash hands when you get home
- DO NOT gather together for a chat even if you are 2 metres apart (Click Here) for guidance
- Observe "Social Distancing" with each other 2-3 metres
- If you take your children to the plot, ensure that they stay within its confines and do not run around on communal paths and spaces.
- Do not share tools
- Minimise the contact with each other for example no handshakes
- Do not wash your hands in water troughs

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The committee would ask all plot holders to take great care during this current crisis and follow as much as possible the restrictions put in place by the UK Government. The committee would not want to see any further restrictions put in place that might stop us all from visiting the site if these restrictions are not followed.

I am therefore asking everyone to do what they can to work together and to keep everyone safe.

Thank you for your understanding during this unusual health situation.

Many thanks Scott Golding Chairman

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