

Welcome to Northchurch Parish Council Allotments

Hello and thank you for your interest in Northchurch Parish Council's allotments.

Northchurch Parish Council (NPC) has two allotment sites, referred to as Upper and Lower Allotments, both of which are located on New Road, Northchurch. Plots can be rented as full or half size. You can discuss your preferred plot size with the Clerk.

NPC has policies that set out our Allotment Rules and Conditions of Cultivation. We have these policies to help our tenants maintain a standard of cultivation which will ensure our allotments are well maintained and properly utilised, and ensure our tenants behave in a manner that supports our desire for the allotments to be a place of nurture and respect for all users.

We also have an Allotments Disputes Policy for the Council and tenants to use in case there is a breach of the Rules or Condition of Cultivation. Whilst we have this Policy, our preference is to always work with you to solve any issues when they arise. The Council, or selected representatives, will undertake regular inspections of the plots and any concerns will be raised with the you.

The Council undertakes a rent review every year and fees are due in October. The Parish Clerk will write to inform you of the rent fee and due date. Please note payment via bank transfer is required. In addition to the annual rent fee is a one-off deposit when you sign the Tenancy Agreement. The deposit will be used to cover any costs incurred by NPC to clear a plot left in a poor condition by a tenant. The Clerk can talk to you about this in more detail.

The latest allotment fees and deposit can be found on our website.

Northchurch Allotment Association

The Northchurch Allotment Association (NAA) is an independent organisation formed of allotment tenants. Attached to this letter is a leaflet from the NAA telling you more.

Membership of the NAA is voluntary. If you would like to join, please use the contact details on the NAA leaflet to register with them and then inform the Parish Clerk who will tell you how you can pay the NAA annual subscription fee at the same time as your rent.

Cllr Michela Capozzi

Chair of Northchurch Parish Council