

## **ALLOTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT FOR ANNUAL PARISH MEETING May 2023**

It has been another busy year on the allotments, with much produce grown and enjoyed by plot holders across the 28 plots. The plots range from 3.5 rods to 5.5 rods, the majority being 4 rods. Of the 22 plot holders, four live in Linton, with others travelling from Coxheath, Loose, Staplehurst and Marden. Currently one plot is vacant, but will be filled soon from the two people on the waiting list. We have had several plot holders retire from the allotments this year, so have welcomed several new people. At one point, we had no one left on the waiting list so advertised availability with other local allotments. Once the vacant plot is filled we will only have one person on the waiting list.

The plot holders have held several events this year to keep the allotments tidy. These are held over a weekend to ensure as many people can attend as possible and it is a good opportunity to get together to socialise as well.

Once again, there was no increase in the rent this year, which remains at £5 per rod, including access to the water supply. Julie Urquhart continues to manage the allotments, supported by Ben Dixon, Les Watt, and Roger Collins, who are all allotment holders. Ben, Les and Roger help with the day today management of the site and organise the tidy ups. The parish council would like to thank them for all their hard work to keep the allotments looking neat and tidy.

Julie Urquhart  
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