

# EDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

## ALLOTMENTS ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURE.

1. The attached are the revised Allotment rules effective as from 1<sup>st</sup>. January 2017.
2. These rules WILL be enforced.
3. The new rules are designed to ensure the allotments are maintained in good order and in the spirit of the rules and regulations applicable to allotments.
4. There will be quarterly inspections of allotments to ensure the rules are kept.
5. Anyone breaking the rules will be served with a twenty eight day notice to comply with the appropriate rule(s).
6. At the end of the twenty eight day period a second inspection will take place. If the problem has been remedied no further action will be taken.
7. If remedial action has not been taken the allotment garden holder will be served with a a further notice to remedy this within 7 days or face a notice to quit. After this period if this has still not been acted upon, a months notice to QUIT will be served. After such period any buildings, equipment, produce or livestock present on the allotment will be deemed to be unwanted and will be disposed of by the Council and no compensation will be paid.
8. Any member served with notice to quit will have the right to appeal to the Full Council. Such an appeal must be made in writing to the Council within 14 days after receiving the notice to quit.. If the appeal is unsuccessful the last day of tenure will be deemed to be the date of the Council meeting at which the appeal is considered.
9. The rules produced by the Town Council will apply to all allotment garden holders and will be enforced by the Council and/or the Allotment Association. This does not preclude each Allotment Society from adding rules of it's own and taking action to enforce these. Any garden holder breaking the society's rules will not have recourse to appeal to the Council except where the appeal is made on grounds of discrimination
10. All allotment holders will be required to sign an acceptance of these rules. Failure to sign an acceptance will be deemed a contravention of the rules and enforcement action will be taken.
11. An additional category of gross abuse( e.g. violence/intimidation or if engaged in any unlawful activity) of the rules now applies. Any tenant causing such an offence may have his/her tenancy terminated with immediate effect.
12. Any tenant not paying their rental by 31<sup>st</sup> January will be deemed to no longer want their allotment and the allotment will revert to the Council as from 1st February.

**DEVOLVED ARRANGEMENTS** – The Town Council delegates to each Allotment Association the ability to take action to enforce all of the above mentioned rules. The Town Council also reserves the ability to act.

I.....as Secretary of Group .... Allotments agree to accept the devolved powers set out in this Enforcement procedure to enable our Association to manage our site effectively.

Name .....Signed ..... Date

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# EDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL ALLOTMENT RULES.

1. Allotment Garden holders will identify their gardens by displaying their garden number on a board fixed to the garden gate.
2. All gardens are to be kept in a tidy condition.
3. Each garden holder will be responsible for the general tidiness of their own garden. This to include any fences/hedges etc.
4. No vehicle including farm machinery will be allowed to be left on the allotment site without the express permission in writing of the Town Council.
5. No businesses are allowed to be run from the allotment gardens.
6. No materials other than those to be used on the gardens are allowed on the site.
7. No dogs are to be left on the site overnight.
8. No livestock other than hens (not Cockerels), ducks geese, rabbits and pigeons are allowed on the Allotment gardens.
9. No hazardous materials including asbestos are allowed on the allotments other than fertilisers, weed killers and rat poison. Such materials to be used and stored in a responsible and safe manner.
10. The burning of rubbish on gardens to be carried out in a responsible manner having due regard for other garden holders and the general public.
11. Allotment garden holders are required to give reasonable access to the rodent operative in the performance of his duties.
12. Caravans will no longer be allowed on the allotments. Existing caravans should be painted green and have their wheels removed.
13. All garden holders are required to give access to the Town Council or it's agent for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with these rules.
14. All garden holders are required to sign an acceptance of these rules and enforcement procedure.

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I.....of.....  
.....(address  
) do acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Rules and Enforcement procedure governing the leasing of an allotment garden under the control of Edlington Town Council. Furthermore I agree to abide by the rules and understand the consequences of not doing so.

ALLOTMENT SITE.....GARDEN NUMBER(S).....

DATED.....

SIGNED.....WITNESSED.....