Allotments Report April 2018

Contracts have been signed by two new tenants.

There is one allotment available on the Rattlesden Road site.

Invoices have been delivered.

Someone who wishes to stay anonymous has left an envelope containing £15 to be used as rent for the Youth Club Allotment. This is to encourage the "young people to understand where their food comes from and how to grow it themselves".

It has been brought to my attention that there are concerns [this is not a tenant] that the tenants on the Gedding Road site get a raw deal compared to Rattlesden Road due to lack of representation. This is completely untrue. Below is a brief out line on how the allotments operate.

There are three Trustees myself Michael Lambert and Joyce Cocksedge. As Michael has been Trustee the longest he acts as our Chairman.

As the allotments are situated a distance apart Giles Youngs acts as representative for the Rattlesden Road Allotment holders and reports back to the trustees who in turn report to the Council. That is why he was invited to the last Trustees meeting as there were issues with the fencing on the Rattlesden Road allotments. Giles also reads the Water meter once a month in the growing season to check that we are on track with water usage.

For Gedding Road Joyce Cocksedge as Trustee and wife of one of the tenants carries out exactly the same role. She spends a lot of her time talking to the tenants and sorting out any issues that arise, she also reads the water meter once a month during the growing season. Gedding Road tenants do not have lack of representation.

Christine Lambert.