

Allotments report year ending 31st March 2026.

Charity Name: ALLOTMENTS FOR THE LABOURING POOR

Charity Number: 295860

Up to and including 31st March 2026

Opening balance as at 01.04.25

Lloyds - Current Account **560

			Lloyds	Total
	£	1,844.34	£ 1,844.34	£ 1,844.34
		£ 1,844.34	£ 1,844.34	£ 1,844.34
Less payments for 1 April to 30 June 2025	£	406.22	£ 406.22	£ 406.22
Less payments for 1 July to 30 September 2025	£	323.17	£ 323.17	£ 323.17
Less payments for 1 October to 31 December 2025	£	334.21	£ 334.21	£ 334.21
Less Payments for 1 January to 31 March 2026	£	49.73	£ 49.73	£ 49.73
		<u>£ 1,113.33</u>	<u>£ 1,113.33</u>	<u>£ 1,113.33</u>
Plus receipts for 1 April to 30 June 2025	£	160.00	£ 160.00	£ 160.00
Plus receipts for 1 July to 30 September 2025	£	-	£ -	£ -
Plus receipts for 1 October to 31 December 2025	£	104.29	£ 104.29	£ 104.29
Plus receipts for 1 January to 31 March 2026	£	62.00	£ 62.00	£ 62.00
		<u>£ 326.29</u>	<u>£ 326.29</u>	<u>£ 326.29</u>
Closing balance at 31st March 2026		<u>£ 1,057.30</u>	<u>£ 1,057.30</u>	<u>£ 1,057.30</u>

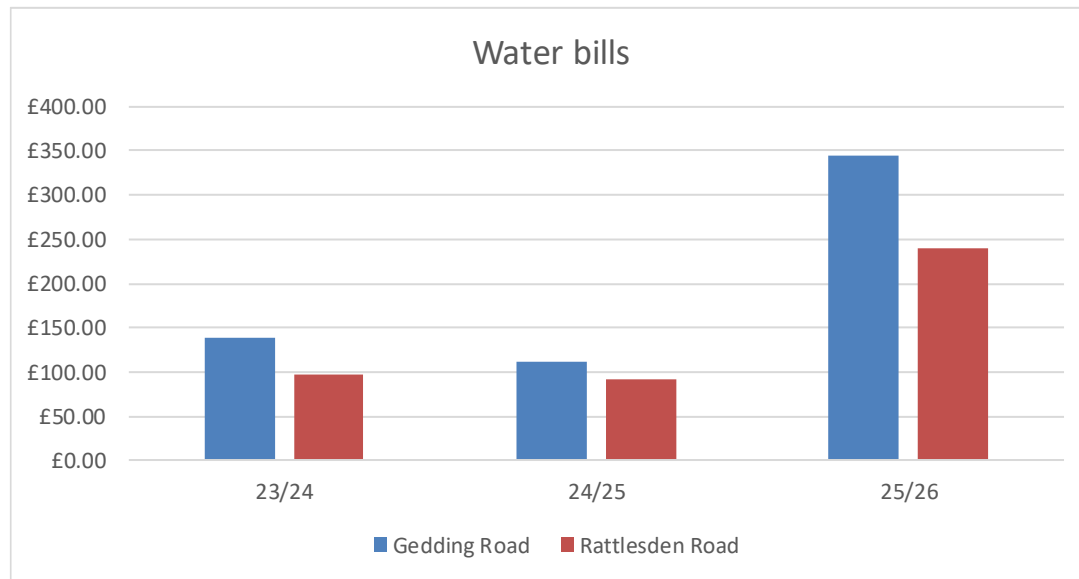
Fees billed for 2026/7 **£413**

Fees received in 2025/6 for 2026/7 £62

Fees due on 1st April 2026 **£351**

Water costs

	23/24	24/25	25/26
Gedding Road	£139.20	£111.53	£343.97
Rattlesden Road	£97.30	£91.08	£240.41



The last year saw a dramatic increase in costs.

If water costs remain the same for the year 2026/7 the projected bank balance at the end of the financial year will be approximately £800, assuming no maintenance costs incurred.

Update from Michael Lambert – Allotment chair

31st March 2026

There is nothing of concern that I am aware of.

Rattlesden Road has one vacant plot. The addition of fencing seems to have kept muntjac at bay, indeed I did hear of a muntjac standing looking in.

Gedding Road currently all plots taken. Again the fencing seems to deter the muntjac there have been no signs since Alice added a gate which is kept closed. Thanks to Alice and Scott for adding this.

It is good to see that Derek Cross long term allotmenteer now aged 92 is still at his plot whenever he can.

Update from Michael Lambert – Allotment Charity chair

30th May 2026

Having looked at the water bills kindly supplied by Michael W, I would ask is the increase an increase in price or usage? The question doesn't really need a reply although I note that the supplier does not appear to be Anglian Water. (it is – it's a brand of AW)

Having spoken with some of the allotment holders the opinion seems to be that the cost of water is the cost of growing and if that creates a need for rent increase then so be it. With a projected balance of £800 (thanks again Michael W.) I see no immediate problem.

Gedding Road site: No problems that I am aware of and all plots taken.

Rattlesden Road site: No problems that I am aware of one vacant plot. A supply of horse manure has started to trickle in which over time will improve the soil.

