

## **Proposal to fence the allotments.**

At the last Council meeting I was requested to ask the allotment holders on Gedding Road as to whether they would like their allotments to be fenced.

The question was set:

*The Parish Council is considering fencing the Gedding Road allotment with preventative muntjac fencing.*

*The cost will be borne by the Parish Council from CIL monies and there will be no charge to tenants.*

*The Council will only consider this work if a majority of the tenants believe that it would be of benefit to allotment holders.*

*I have been asked to conduct a poll of all allotment holders.*

*The deadline for the poll is Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November.*

*The individual poll votes will be anonymous.*

*Please reply with a simple YES or NO to this email.*

*YES – I would like the Gedding Road site fenced*

*No – I do not want the Gedding Road fenced.*

There are 13 tenants on site and the votes were:

YES 6, NO 3 and no response 4

There was no consultation with Rattlesden Road allotment holders since it was reported that they are unanimous in requesting fencing.

I attach the following documents:

- 8.2 Map of the two sites
- 8.3 Specification for tender – prepared by Peter Holborn
- 8.4 Sanders quotation
- 8.5 Tarling quotation
- 8.6 DIY quotation and observations from Council Chair, Paul Selvey

## Tenancy

Gedding Road

13 tenancies – no vacancies

Rattlesden Road

5 tenants – one vacancy. One tenant has two plots.

There is no waiting list.

In summary, the quotes are, ex VAT:

	<b>Gedding Road</b>	<b>Rattlesden Road</b>	<b>Total £</b>
Sanders quote	4,700	4,450	9,150
Tarling quote	5,047	4,388	9,435
DIY			2,724

A professional installation would qualify for CIL monies. I have contacted Suffolk as to whether the DIY option would qualify but, as of writing, I have had no response.

The issues to be discussed are:

1. Should the PC use CIL monies to fund the fencing of the allotments?
2. The decision to be taken on each site separately if the PC agrees to proceed.
3. If the decision to fence Gedding Road is yes, next steps would be to consult with residents to seek their comments
4. If the decision to proceed is taken agreement required on which of the three pricing options be chosen.

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