

## **Allotment report for Environment meeting 1<sup>st</sup> June 2021**

### Current vacancies:

Cherry Gardens - Site full, waiting list in operation

Netherfield Hill – Site full

Virgins Lane – Site full, waiting list in operation

Watch Oak – Site full, waiting list in operation

There have been some recent tenant changes but all sites remain fully tenanted with waiting lists for all sites except Netherfield. Some prospective tenants ask to be on more than 1 waiting list but the overall list is 10 people waiting.

### Inspection

The next inspection will be scheduled shortly.

### Watch Oak

An increasing number of tenants at Watch Oak are requesting fences to prevent deer and other wildlife from eating crops. In accordance with the regulations such requests are being granted with the proviso that tenants are responsible for maintaining both sides of the fence line as ground staff cannot strim along these edges.

### Cherry Gardens

Further reports of issues with rats have been received from tenants at Cherry Gardens. Members may recall in 2019 an independent rodent report was commissioned and as this could not positively attribute the rats to the addition of chickens to the site no further action is being considered.

### Footpath repairs

The grounds staff continue to improve the paths around the allotment to try and make these more level and easier to maintain.

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