

CAPEL ST MARY ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION

Affiliated to R.H.S & N.S.A.L.G.

President Steve Baker

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SITE DETAILS FOR NEW PLOTHOLDERS

1. The site is owned by Capel St Mary Parish Council.
2. The site is run by the Capel St Mary Allotments Association on behalf of the Parish Council.
3. There is a committee which meets regularly to discuss any problems, grievances or improvements deemed necessary to run the site and to organize events.
4. The Allotments Association is affiliated to the NSALG (now referred to as the NAS), and the RHS.
5. The individual plot holder is responsible for maintaining his plot and keeping it tidy and weed free. Maintaining sheds and surrounding footpaths (one metre wide if possible please) and composting as much as possible of the waste from his or her plot.
6. We usually start off by renting only half plots to new allotmenters.
7. Facilities on site include:
 - a. Water (taps and water butts)
 - b. Toilet
 - c. A shop (The Hut) which is open at the weekends for members from 10-12noon, February to October, with all essential items for your allotment
 - d. A small amount of free compost when available
 - e. Wood chippings when available
 - f. Poly tunnel plots to rent
 - g. BBQ and picnic area
 - h. A communal bonfire site to burn un-compostable waste
 - i. A few free wooden pallets to construct compost bins when available
 - j. Blue and black refuse bins for any items deemed un-compostable or un-burnable but possibly recyclable
 - k. A wild life area.
8. Security of your shed and contents are down to the individual plot holder. There have been very few incidents of theft or vandalism on site.

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9. Sheds are to be sited as agreed with the site manager. Position is important. Sheds are to be 6 x 4ft and no higher than 8ft. Brown in colour with a pitched roof and the door is to face onto the plot. There is a shed application form available.
10. The following are not allowed on plots. Greenhouses, glass cold frames, poly-tunnels, animals (i.e. pigeons, chickens, bees, pigs, etc) bonfires before 6pm and hoses and sprinklers.
11. The main gate and toilet have combination locks on them the number will be given to the new members and the number must not be passed on to anyone else.
12. There is a rotovator and cultivator available for members to use. The cost to hire this equipment is £10 for two hours use.
13. There are lawnmowers available for members to use. The lawn mowers are in a locked shed. A £10 key deposit (returnable on leaving) and a short health and safety course will allow you to use the lawnmowers to keep your paths tidy.
14. The Capel St Mary Allotments Association holds two volunteer work-ins during the year (April & October) to keep the site in good condition and to keep costs down. If you attend work-ins you will receive a re-bate on your site fees of £6.00 for the following years rental.
15. Allotment fees are collected annually from about October to December for the following years rental.
16. Cars are allowed on site but restrictions will be put into place when very wet conditions prevail. Care must be taken when driving on the site.
17. The present cost of a half plot is £16.00 per year (2017).
18. You have to apply for a poly tunnel plot. There is a waiting list at the moment. Cost is £10.00 for a poly tunnel plot.
19. The Allotments Association runs an annual BBQ and games night usually the last weekend in July.
20. The Allotments Association also runs a 'Flower and Produce Show' annually in the Village Hall where you can exhibit produce that you have grown or made during the year. It takes place on the first full weekend of September each year.
21. The Allotments Association runs a competition for the best kept allotment each year, the best kept poly tunnel plot and also for the best new comers plot each year.
22. To contact the site manager please email site.manager@capelallotments.co.uk