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# Allotment Newsler

# A Message from Peter Roberts, Property Manager

I hope you and your family are keeping safe and well and coping with the challenges of lockdown. You're no doubt finding your allotment plot to be an invaluable source of fresh air and physical activity that contributes to good mental health in these troubled times. As the days lengthen and we head towards spring I hope you get even more benefit and enjoyment from your plot. Warmest regards, Peter



**Plot Inspections** Plots should be kept relatively tidy all year. Uncultivated letters will be sent at any time when necessary.

# Security

The fence lines surrounding allotment sites were not installed for security purposes but to merely indicate the perimeter of the allotment property and prevent casual incursion by unauthorised persons. There are many allotment sites across the country that don't have fences or lockable gates and none are 'high security'.

It is all plot holder responsibility to lock the gate and not to keep items of value on their plot. Thefts or any criminal activities should be reported to the police not to the Council. Any violent or criminal conduct is to be reported to 999 in an emergency or 101 if non-emergency.

The City Council will not get involved in disputes between tenants but will evict tenants if there is evidence of a serious breach of the allotment tenancy.

# Amnesty on household items and carpet

Our previous newsletter requested that all carpet is to be removed and no household items are to be kept on the plot. Due to the MPORTA coronavirus the amenity tip was initially closed which made clearance difficult.





However, the amenity tip is now open and therefore our 'Zero-Tolerance' policy will now come into effect on 1st October 2021. This allows everyone an additional 6-months to clear items that should not be there. Any plot holder that is found to have such items will receive a removal notice leading to eviction if not complied with.



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The City Council have recently been asked by plot holders for a little help to get their plot up together when it has got out of hand. Unfortunately the Council staff are unable to help with this but are pleased to pass on the contact details of people that can help.

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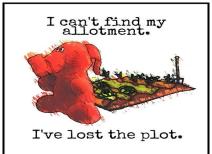
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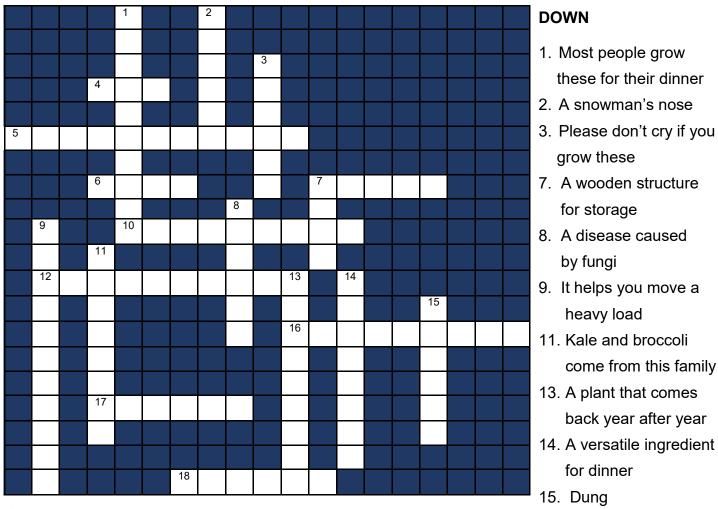
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# **Smoke**

The lighting of bonfires, campfires, incinerators etc is prohibited daytimes and weekends. Only permitted on Monday to Friday after 5pm.

# Something to do while you sit with a cuppa after a busy allotment session



## Across:

- 4. You need this to get in
- 5. The process of growing new plants
- 6. If you are a tenant you have one of these
- 7. Use it to dig a hole
- 10. It's yellow, often tall and you can eats its seeds
- 12. A term for piling soil around a plant (8,2)
- 16. A machine to turn over the soil
- 17. A covering to protect plants
- 18. A garden sieve