## TOMMY'S FIELD ALLOTMENTS' ASSOCIATION RULES

The name "Tommy's Field Allotments' Association" shall be retained.

- 1. Officials and Committee, as follows ,will be elected at the Annual General Meeting to be held near the end of March:- Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and a further six members. If insufficient committee members are elected, vacant place(s) may be filled by cooption.
- 2. Only holders of allotments can be members of the Association and are entitled to vote at meetings of the same. Allotment holders in default lose their membership.
- 3. Applications for allotments to be made to the Secretary for submission to the committee whose approval is necessary before a member is admitted. The rent is fixed by the Committee and is payable on allocation of the allotment.
- 4. Cultivation of the allotments will meet the reasonable standard of the Committee. Where such standard is not maintained after a written warning, the Committee shall have the power to take possession of such allotment, when rent or part of the rent will be returned to the defaulting member.
- 5. Allotment tenancy shall be from March 1<sup>st</sup> to the last day of February but members intending to vacate their allotment on March 1<sup>st</sup> should notify the Secretary by the first day of February.
- 6. Allotment rents will be notified to members by newsletter and/or notice boards at the beginning of February. Rents are due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March and should be paid to the Treasurer prior to March 31<sup>st</sup> or the AGM, which ever be later.
- 7. Rents not paid to the Treasurer by April 30<sup>th</sup> will be increased by a blanket £2.00 for each month or part of month outstanding. Any rent still not paid by May 14<sup>th</sup> will be considered by the Committee and may result in immediate loss of membership.
- 8. The use of hoses on the taps will be restricted to a time limit of ten minutes and will only be allowed when use is supervised. Hoses may only be used to fill water barrels and not used to water gardens directly. There is no other restriction on the use of water or the taps.
- 9. No member shall have more than one full-sized allotment or equivalent if there is a waiting list of suitable applicants and all allotments are under cultivation.
- 10. Providing the standard of cultivation meets the approval of the Committee, existing members shall have first option on any allotment becoming vacant. Priority will be given to members working shaded plots along the southern boundary. Where there is more than one approved applicant, allocation shall be by lots. The committee will only consider those existing members who have previously informed the Secretary, in writing, of their wish to exchange/extend gardens.
- 11. Where a number of members desire to purchase co-operatively, the Secretary will make the necessary arrangements, providing those co-operating deposit the cost and expenses of the purchase with the Secretary and arrange to take delivery and the distribution of the purchase themselves.
- 12. No building is allowed on the allotments other than cold-frames and compost-boxes.
- 13. Allotment holders are responsible for keeping the paths surrounding their allotments straight and tidy.
- 14. No garden fire should be lit when it could inconvenience other allotment holders, local residents or result in smoke/sparks blowing over the petrol station or roads. Fires must not be left unattended.
- 15. Allotment holders are responsible for ensuring that children and pets are closely supervised in order to avoid harm to themselves and/or inconvenience to other allotment holders.
- 16. All members shall treat with respect other members of the association and their allotment plots, and will not interfere with or otherwise impinge on the cultivation of other members crops.

17. The only places that manure can be delivered are either:

On the left hand side of the main gate where the horse manure is delivered,

OR: For the eastern end of our site:

Deliveries should be placed on the hard standing and nowhere else

Any proposed delivery of manure, or any other bulky substance, must be cleared by the Committee Secretary in the first instance.

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