

## ALLOCATION OF ALLOTMENT PLOTS

### General

Allotment plots are allocated only to applicants residing within 3 miles of the boundaries of the Parish of Bishopstoke.

When a plot becomes vacant the next applicant on the list will be offered a 5 rod plot. If they express a wish for a further 5 rod plot they will return to the bottom of the list to be offered another 5 rod plot when they next reach the top of the list.

A maximum total of 10 rods will be allocated to each applicant unless the waiting list is empty, when a maximum of 20 rods per person will be permitted.

In the case of an existing tenant having a non-standard sized first plot of greater than 5 rods they will be offered one further plot of 5 rods, bringing their total maximum holding exceptionally to above 10 rods.

Tenants who currently have an allocation of 10 rods or more by means of one or more joint tenancies will still be able to take up their own 5 rod plot if they firstly relinquish a joint tenancy of 5 rods.

Any tenant who has been allocated physically separated plots of 5 rods will be given first refusal on any plot adjacent to one of their allocations. A tenant wishing to consider this option will need to register this wish with the Council Officers.

Applicants will be given the opportunity to view the plot offered before taking it on. However, if the plot is refused by the applicant without good reason (to be determined at the discretion of the Council Officers) they will be returned to the bottom of the list if they still wish to remain on the list.

Applicants whose circumstances have changed since the date of application can, at the discretion of the Council Officers, choose to remain on a separate list to take up a plot at a future date when their circumstances so allow. This separate list allows an applicant to take up the next available plot rather than be required to rejoin the waiting list at the bottom.

Tenants who find that they are unable to continue to cultivate a 5 rod plot can, at the discretion of the Council Officers, choose to remain on the separate list to take up a plot at a future date when their circumstances so allow.

Tenancies can be in joint names to allow more than one person to cultivate the plot so that cultivation can continue should circumstances prevent cultivation by one or other of the tenants. The policy for joint tenancies will apply.

### **Underwood Road**

No extra rules or conditions apply.

### **Jockey Lane**

New tenants must live within the Parish of Bishopstoke.

A maximum total of 10 rods will be allocated to each applicant.

Existing tenants who are from outside the Parish will be permitted to ask for a second allocation of 5 rods. However, they will be required through the Tenancy Agreement to relinquish this second plot should they move from their current residence to a new residence which is more than 1 mile outside the Parish of Bishopstoke.

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