

Hartlebury Allotments

The main allotment site is situated within the 30mph boundary of Hartlebury and has 22 plots of various sizes. The land is owned by the Church Commissioners and the Parish Council pays rent to them.

Most of the plots are currently taken but three plots remain available for rent. Plots do not normally become available very often. Annual rent ranges from £14 to £30, depending upon the size of the plot. Unfortunately, there is no running water on the site, so allotment holders either have to bring water in containers or rig up rain water collection tanks.

If you are interested in renting an allotment plot, please contact the [Clerk to the Parish Council](#), who will sort out the arrangements.

Allotment Regulations

Hartlebury Parish Council

General Terms and Conditions under which the Allotment Gardens are to be Cultivated

The tenant of an allotment garden shall comply with the following conditions:

1. S/he shall keep the allotment garden clean, in good condition, free from weeds and in a good state of cultivation and fertility.
2. S/he shall not cause any nuisance or annoyance to the occupier of any other allotment garden, or obstruct any path set out by the Parish Council for the use of the occupiers of the allotments.
3. S/he shall not underlet, assign or part with the possession of the allotment garden or any part of it, without the written consent of the Parish Council.
4. S/he shall keep every hedge that forms part of the allotment garden properly cut and trimmed.
5. All grass verges shall be cut regularly.
6. S/he shall not, without the written consent of the Parish Council, erect any building on the allotment plot. Consent shall not be unreasonably refused for the erection of a structure used for the storage of tools. The tenant shall keep any building or structure on the allotment garden in good and safe repair. Greenhouses and polytunnels should be no bigger than 12ft x 10ft and sheds 8ft x 6ft.
7. S/he shall not use barbed wire for fencing purposes. Fence lines must be maintained and kept clear of weeds.
8. S/he will not deposit or allow persons to deposit on the allotment garden any rubbish or decaying matter (except manure and compost) and not deposit matter of any sort on any other part of the allotment site. Small occasional bonfires will be permitted to tidy up weeds / non compostable material but these must not cause nuisance or annoyance to other plot holders and nearby residents.
9. S/he shall, as regards the allotment garden, observe and perform all conditions and covenants contained in the lease under which the Parish Council holds the land.
10. S/he shall not keep any livestock on the allotment plots. Dogs must be kept on a leash or under close control at all times and must not cause nuisance or annoyance to other plot holders and nearby residents. Dog mess must be cleared up immediately.
11. S/he must not erect any notice or advertisement on the allotment garden.
12. Only trees of dwarf root stock can be planted. Branches must not overhang, cause shade nor compete for water with neighbouring plots.

13. The rent of the allotment garden shall be requested in February and be paid annually by the end of March. Plot holders will be asked in November if they intend to continue with the plot for the following year.
14. Any member or officer of the Parish Council shall be entitled at any time to inspect the allotment plot.
15. In the case of a dispute between the tenant and any other occupier of an allotment plot the matter shall be referred to the Clerk to the Parish Council.
16. The tenancy of an allotment plot shall terminate whenever the tenancy or right of occupation of the Parish Council terminates.

It may also be terminated by the Parish Council after one month's notice:

- a: if the rent is in arrears for more than 40 days OR
- b: if the tenant is not duly observing the rules affecting the allotment plot, or any other term or condition of the tenancy.
- c: unless otherwise agreed the tenancy will terminate on the next annual rent day after the death of the tenant

The tenancy may also be terminated by the Parish Council or tenant by providing 6 months notice in writing.

The allotment garden must be returned in such condition as shall be in compliance with the agreements herein contained. The Parish Council may dispose of any building structure or other items left on the allotment plot after one month.

17. S/he must comply with the Health and Safety laws and exercise a "Duty of Care" towards themselves, other members and the general public. The Parish Council is indemnified against any claim howsoever arising out of the tenant's use or occupation of the allotment plot and site.