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C... Dyffryn Aeron Horticultural Society

**HAND-BOOK**  
**OF CONDITIONS & RULES**  
**of**  
**Society membership**

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8. The general soil cultivation, propagation, including growing techniques for home-grown fruit vegetables and other cultivars will be a central raft of the work of the X. It will be a central part of the work of the X on all sites, run practical courses for local schools.
9. X will have alternative arrangements for local schools in the day to day to
10. Where practical, X will arrange horticultural shows and exhibitions to highlight the individual work and dedication of its member growers and all others within the community who may wish to take part.



## INTRODUCTION



Welcome to your new allotment plot. We REALLY hope that you will enjoy yourself in what is a beautiful and quiet, "fresh air environment" on our allotment site. What can be better than your very own vegetable growing plot - away from all the negativity and day to day stresses of

It is the joy of the

delights of tapping into shared knowledge that are always present on an allotment site. Like-minded people, will be doing exactly in order to get the enjoyment and satisfaction comes from eating your own fresh tasting "home grown" food. Some are beginners, others will have some, a third will probably be the old hands with many decades of knowledge on their belt. USE THEM! They will share their "secrets" with you. Consider yourself a member of the family here - view the more photos of our members.



For more information you can also browse our award winning web-site at:

[allotments.org.uk](http://allotments.org.uk)

Many people who are new to allotment gardening, and who are without any experience of being a member of a formal gardening society, association or other type of gardening group, will often ask (the quite innocent) question "why you have to have rules, regulations and conditions?". Arguing that a person's plot, on an allotment site, is the individual's paid for rented ground - to do as he or she pleases with it - without being told what they can or can't do. To be clear at the outset. We NEVER dictate how you arrange your plot, we don't tell you what you can grow on it and we



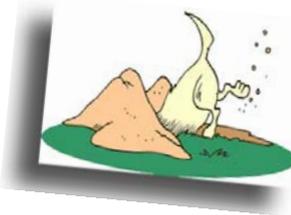
don't tell you how to grow what you want – unless you ask - that is all up to you.

Some believe that their plot is their unique personal space - to live out their leisure time in a free-for-all environment away from society, doing exactly as they wish with no rules or constraints. If that means no cultivating, weeding or the tidying of their plot, in an environment of free abandon and anarchy - where there are no set rules or boundaries – then we think they are badly misguided regarding what all about. Regardless of the perceived “freedom” of their anticipated actions (or non actions), the community affected must be considered. Also the order and safety - of the society has to be protected.



Historically, allotment sites were founded to give people no access to land (usually in urban communities) to reconnect their connection with the soil by growing their own food. They were presented to them for an affordable cost. Also, historically, allotment sites that have sprung up and been run on a free-for-all basis have tended to disintegrate into a squabbling mess and a chaotic environment that cease to exist. To be successful an allotment site must have a structure along with individual community rules that are for the common good of the society - as all *teams* need a structure. This structure should not be a heavy-hand, regulated dictatorship or a free-for-all. **It simply means a fair, friendly and safe environment for you to peacefully cultivate your crops and avoid the common problems of allotment sites.**

Many people view their allotment plot as a place to relax and do as you please, including allowing the children to play on the tree, or the children to use the plot as a playground and other people's plots as a personal playground or as a “green undergarden”. Such ones will often generally view their plot as a convenient place to invite friends along in nice



## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

*(excerpt from our Constitution)*

1. The bi-lingual name of the organisation shall be **XYZ** (also referred to in official written documents, as **X** or **Y**).
2. X will actively pursue the continual improvement, of the fertility, cleanliness, productivity and facilities of the allotment garden plots at its Primary Site, and any other future sites it may manage - as a whole for the benefit of its members who share the sites and as a legacy for those who follow them.
3. X is committed to ensuring that the environment is protected and to publicise the pleasure and virtues of allotment gardening and vegetable growing as a recreational hobby for people of all ages. Also X's intention to provide pleasure for the public who come into contact with the Society's participants and the produce they produce at their Primary Site and other future sites.
4. X will work with the National Allotment Society (Community, Town or County), The National Society of Allotment and Leisure Gardens Ltd. The National Allotment Society of Community Gardens (Allotment Regeneration Ltd) and any other national or local organisation that has a common shared interest in the welfare of all members and gardeners in the Aberdeenshire area.
5. X will work with people to improve life in its local community. It is our stated purpose to support the growing of food and the nurturing of a growing community of growers regardless of their financial status and social status within our society.
6. It is X's stated purpose to grow and develop as an organisation and that it foster a growing community and further links with other gardeners, groups and growers including tool meetings, tool suppliers wherever they are and by any means including publications, advertising and the use of its website.
7. As it is our stated purpose that the younger generation is losing its knowledge and skill of using traditional hand-tools, one of X's major objectives will be to impart knowledge of the proper use and maintenance of traditional gardening hand-tools by providing skill training to those that come in contact with the Society.



rules and conditions (laid on us as a society), in our terms of membership acceptance and in our individual tenancy agreement documents for our plot-holding member.

Finally, (as with all well managed, conscientious and professionally run allotment societies), the most important thing of all is that a proper Society Constitution Document is implemented (you can get a hard copy of ours by asking our secretary for a copy or you can view and down-load it on our web-site).

A constitution provides the ultimate authority containing information on almost every aspect of the society's work, including the roles and responsibilities of its members.

The Rules & Conditions contain the details actually taken from our constitution and forms provide the practical details.

This is a safeguard for the members. A clearly set-out guide to follow there will be very few arguments and no confusion amongst our members. Solutions to common problems are contained there. Harmony and co-operation in our society because everyone knows how our society is run and what is expected of our members. This is the reason that you received this copy of our hand-book as a plot-holding member of our society.

Unfortunately one of the evils of an allotment society is that it has to be run by a committee. Consequently there is a need for the committee to meet and of course the need for a General Committee (GMC) that looks after and cares for the day to day business and the running of our society. The GMC also manages our sites.

We try **not** to make the rules overly complicated, fickle or burdensome. They are ALL based on simple common sense principles, national member body (NSALG) guidelines and our own experience.

she wishes. The expelled member will have 14 days to lodge an appeal with the Secretary. All appeals must be in writing (precluding email) giving 14 days notice. The expelled member will have a right to be heard at an EGM convened by the GMC. All members will be invited to attend. The EGM will only have one agenda item. The expelled member will have the right to state his/ her case and if he/ she wishes, be accompanied or represented by a friend who may or may not be a member. A vote will be taken to accept or decline the appeal and that decision will then be final and no further process for another appeal will be open to the expelled member.

### I) Expiry of Tenancy

The tenancy will determine on the rent due by the Member and may also be determined in any of the following ways:

- 1) By either party giving the other written notice in writing.
- 2) By re-entry by X any time after giving written notice in writing to the Member.
- 3) If the rent or any part of it is not paid for more than forty days whether legally due or not.
- 4) If it appears that there has been any breach of the conditions of the tenancy on the part of the Member and twelve months have elapsed since the commencement of the tenancy.

### II) Rent Review

- 1) The rent may be reviewed by X giving notice to the Member on or before the 31st of November) in any year of the tenancy, such that the rent to be payable for the plot/plots occupied shall be the amount determined by the review.

### III) Notices

- 1) ANY notice to be given by X to the Member may be signed on behalf of X by the Chairperson and Secretary of X GMC or

Following two verbal warnings the GMC will next issue a written warning to the member. That written warning will give notice that unless immediate action is taken to remedy the problem by the erring member - within a reasonable set time frame - then he/ she will be expelled. No further warnings or notices will be served.

**4.4.2 Procedure for Expulsion.** At a meeting of the GMC with an agenda item specifically drawing attention to a disciplinary matter for discussion the GMC may, (after discussing the matter with all members present, and arriving at a decision by a majority vote of the members entitled to vote), expel any member for conduct detrimental to the Society that a notice specifying the conduct for which it is expelled is sent to the member at the address entered in the records at least one calendar month prior to the date of the meeting.

**4.4.3 Serious Misconduct.** In cases of serious and unremediated disregard for X's rules and regulations, or for breach of correct procedures for discipline, or reaction to a disciplinary matter by a member - more especially if the misconduct has an automatic effect on another member then the GMC may expel a member (one of which must be an Officer) of the Society. The expelled member responsible for the conduct. The expelled member will only be allowed future access to the site and will only be allowed to collect his/ her belongings from the site at all times whilst on-site. This type of suspension will remain in force until the matter is discussed by all the members at the next scheduled GMC of the X. The GMC may expel a member who does not conform to the rules and does not abide by the regulations of the Society. In the case of serious misconduct that includes the illegal use of the garden plot or other instances contrary to the laws of the UK. The expelled member will have the right to appeal.

**4.4.4 Suspension.** The GMC shall have the right, for good and sufficient cause, which includes non payment of any subscription, or for failure to attend a meeting, to exclude an individual member from the Society. The individual member shall have the right to be heard before a decision is made.

**4.4.5 Procedure for Appeal.** Following a decision to expel, the expelled member - who may consider themselves aggrieved by the action of the GMC - may appeal if he or

own past experiences.

We keep our member meetings to a minimum, so at most you will only be asked to attend a *maximum* of four a year – including our Annual General Meeting (AGM).

As with everything else we do as a Society, there is a set procedure for our meetings. Here is an outline:

### 1. Conduct and Rules for All Meetings

The time honoured and generally accepted procedure for meetings that are known to almost everyone will be observed at all of our meetings. All formal Society meetings will be conducted - without exception - as follows:

- 1.1 General Management Committee (GMC), General Meetings (EGM), Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Business Meetings (GBM) will be called by the Secretary when they are needed.
- 1.2 The agenda for each meeting will be prepared in consultation with the Secretary
- 1.3 The Secretary will arrange for the venue of the meeting.
- 1.4 The Secretary will provide the agenda (by e-mail) of the meeting and will provide any necessary information for the meeting.
- 1.5 The Secretary will provide the necessary information for the meeting on the day of the meeting.
- 1.6 For members who hold a fully paid up membership of the Society, any items, proposals or table motions, the proposer must put forward an agenda item, a proposal, a motion, or a table motion, must send them to the Secretary, in writing, before the meeting is to be convened. No proposal or motion or other item is guaranteed to be heard unless it is on the agenda.
- 1.7 When convened the Chairperson will open the meeting and chair it.
- 1.8 The Chair will be the sole person in charge of the meeting (unless he/ she hands it

over for a specific time or reason during a meeting) and will conduct it in strict keeping with the Society's rules for meetings.

- 1. 9 All contributions from the members present will be directed through the Chair
- 1. 10 Any member wishing to make a contribution will signal the Chair of his/ her intention (usually by the rising of a hand) and will be invited to contribute.
- 1. 11 All members will conduct themselves in a friendly manner
- 1. 12 There will be no cross talking, shouting down or interrupting.
- 1. 13 There will be no discussions started except by the Chair - in accordance with the agenda - once the Chair has invited a member to speak.
- 1. 14 Where a vote is required following a motion or a show of hands. A simple majority will normally be sufficient. A motion demands a threshold majority. Where the Chair is asked to call for a casting vote.
- 1. 15 At meetings where the vote is required and members are not comfortable with a show of hands, the Chair may change a secret ballot at the meeting where all members present will then be counted by the Secretary and the Executive Members.
- 1. 16 There will be no circumstances for proxy voting where absent members vote for another member that is present. Only members present have the right to vote.
- 1. 17 On-line voting is available to the Society and in cases where a vote needs to be taken, the Chair will decide that method will be utilised where the calling of a vote is necessary or convenient for the members. Any member present can vote by post under such circumstances. The ballot will be sent or delivered to the Society's Secretary.
- 1. 18 Members must attend to all matters during meetings.
- 1. 19 Any member who fails to adhere to the level of decorum expected of members present at a meeting, if any member wilfully ignores the rules for meetings, he/ she will be asked to be silent by the Chair. Further disruption will result in expulsion from the meeting.

- ↪ The Member's death
- ↪ The Member's resignation
- ↪ The non payment of the annual subscription thereof for a period of 40 days after it has become due
- ↪ The expulsion of a member under the Company's rules regarding disciplinary actions and expulsions

4.3.1 **Cessation by Delegation.** In the event of a member being unable to continue cultivating his/ her allotment, for reasons such as deteriorating health or old age etc. They may apply to the GMC to have the plot assigned to a close relative such as a son, daughter or grandchild etc. Each application will be considered on its merits by the GMC. In most cases a system of delegation will be agreed. The delegated plot-holder will be required to sign a new tenancy agreement to take over the tenancy by signing a new tenancy agreement.

#### 4.4 Expulsion of Members

4.4.1 **Disciplinary procedure** If a member wilfully flouts either the rules, regulations or conditions of the Society or is in breach of the conditions and regulations of the Society or tenancy agreement, then that member will be verbally warned. If the member is not verbally aware of their wrong actions. Any member who is verbally warned may do this either at the request of the GMC or by its committee members. Or following a complaint by another member - where attention is drawn to the member, and the GMC have discussed the situation.

If a member is not corrected that member will be verbally warned by the Executive members, one will again verbally draw attention to the member in front of the other witnesses the action. This meeting will be held at a specific time, date and location) by the Society Secretary and recorded in the minutes.

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4.2.11 Will conduct himself/ herself in a friendly and harmonious manner with his/ her fellow plot holders regardless of their race, gender, disability, age, sexual orientation or religion.

4.2.12 Understands that any nuisance, annoyance or harassment (relating to race, gender, disability, age, sexual orientation, religion or other matter) to any Member, if proven, will result in immediate termination of the Tenancy by X whose decision shall be final.

4.2.13 Will NOT allow children to play, or walk, or run on the plot without their permission. No child under the age of 16 shall be on the plot unless he/ she are supervised by an adult. No dogs shall be kept within the confines of the Member's plot and no other disturbance or nuisance in any form to fellow Members.

4.2.14 Understands that X has the right to allow any person other than the Member or member of the household to be accompanied by the Member or member of the household.

4.2.15 Understands that a Member shall be given an initial six month probationary period. If the plot has not been cultivated to an acceptable standard within the conditions of Let and in the opinion of the Society, the Member shall be required to vacate the allocated allotment. If the person concerned will have no right of appeal.

4.2.16 Agrees to refer any dispute between the Member and any other Member on the allotment to X's GMC and their decision will be final.

4.2.17 The Member shall hold public liability insurance covering all members of the household. Common sense must prevail and Members shall be mindful of themselves, fellow Members and any visitors.

#### 4.3 Cessation of Membership

4.3.2 **Permanent Cessation.** A Member shall cease to be a Member in the following eventualities:

meeting and possible suspension from a series of future meetings.

1.20 Sub-committee meetings, whilst smaller, and chaired by the sub-committee leader, will still be conducted in the same manner, and the same rules shall apply.

1.21 The sub-committee meeting Chair will have the same respect shown the same respect at meetings as the Society.

## 2. SITE MAINTENANCE and CARE

2.1 **Paths, fences or boundaries** shall be well maintained and repaired – please look after them. The Member shall be responsible for any nuisance or annoyance to the occupier of the adjacent plot, or to obstruct or encroach on any path or access, or to interfere with the use of the occupiers of the allotment garden.

2.2 The **weeding and the maintenance of any shared paths** is your responsibility. You shall be responsible for the upkeep of any communal/ public paths that may be affected.

2.3 **Composting** is allowed on individual plots, or in a communal heap.

2.4 **Your plot** shall be well maintained (wherever possible) and well cultivated. The Member should always be in a clean, well-maintained and weed free state using techniques which do not cause damage.

2.5 **Waste** shall be removed where possible, or taken away - along with any other material - from the plot holder and disposed of safely. The Society shall be notified where possible.

2.6 **Fruit trees** shall be allowed providing the varieties planted are of 'dwarfing' habit. Please consider the eventual height/spread of what you are planting and its possible impact on neighbouring plots (casting shade, root spread etc.). Fruit bushes are fine. Wherever possible, fruit tree height should be limited to approximately 13 feet (4 metres)

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**2.7 Huts and structures** such as greenhouses, sheds, polytunnels or hen houses/ bee-hives etc. are allowed, as long as they do not cause a nuisance to any other plot holders, for example blocking paths or light. Structures allowed on a plot will conform to the general guidelines provided by the National Society of Allotment & Leisure Gardens Ltd (NSALG). These recommendations are: Plot-holder's shed up to 12 square metres. Greenhouse up to 15 square metres. Polytunnel up to 30 square metres. Specific permission for construction must be sought from the General Management Committee for structures that will be exempt from this guideline. They must be well constructed, safe and well-maintained. They must also be in character with the rest of the site. X is not liable for any loss or damage to/by your shed or its contents. You must insure your shed and its contents on your own insurance in this respect.

**2.8 Gates to the site should be closed** at the end of the day (where appropriate). The Member must not tamper with any lock, or to add any device on the site gates.

**2.9 Chemical weed-killers and pesticides** use are strictly prohibited and a breach will result in termination of the Plot-holder's membership. Exceptions are acceptable.

**2.10 Poultry and bees** are allowed on the keeping of hens, and bees on the allotment (for the Member's own use only), but no other livestock. The site must be kept clean and not cause a nuisance to other plot holders wholly reliant on the Landlord Paramount for such activity. Written permission must be sought from the Landlord Paramount for such activity. Written permission must be sought from the Landlord Paramount for such activity. Written permission must be sought from the Landlord Paramount for such activity.

**2.11 Dogs and cats** are allowed with their owners, but must be kept on a lead and must be cleared up and removed (**NB** dog or cat waste must be **composted** under any circumstances).

**2.12 Bonfires** are allowed on individual plots. Any fires must be contained within the designated area set aside for burning material that cannot be composted. You must not light any bonfires at inappropriate times or cause smoke or nuisance from bonfires to interfere with neighbouring plot holders or other neighbours.

## 4.2 Plot TENANCY RULES

### THE Member:

4.2.1 Agrees to conform to the following rules as part of his/ her agreement with X. Persistent and wilful disregard or the flaunting of any of the following rules will, if proven, result in immediate termination of the Tenancy by X whose decision shall be final.

4.2.2 Must pay the annual rent and any members' contributions by the deadline. The rent is paid in advance. Any other terms shall be as otherwise agreed with X

4.2.3 Agrees to abide by the terms of the Society's Constitution and its Rules of the Society's Rules and Regulations.

4.2.4 Agrees to abide by where a Member's lease with any Landlord Paramount.

4.2.5 Must not assign, under any circumstances, the allotment garden or any part of the allotment to any other person or society.

4.2.6 To avoid confusion the number of the plot is clearly displayed on the plot.

4.2.7 Must tell the Society if contact details change. (Failure to do so could result in termination of the agreement).

4.2.8 Should be kept clean and tidy where possible

4.2.9 Allotment plots are for leisure and personal use only. They are not to be used for commercial purposes or to produce from their plots (unless for the benefit of the Society). They are not to be used for any illegal or immoral purpose.

4.2.10 Must only be used by the Member and those specifically invited by the Member on to the allotment.

- 4.1.9 The Society shall see to it that The Member shall not use any barbed wire for a fence adjoining any path set out by The Society for the use of the occupiers of the Allotment Gardens.
- 4.1.10 The Society shall see to it that The Member shall not, without express written consent of The Society, erect any building on the Allotment Garden that exceeds the recommended sizes for allotment buildings as set out by the National Society of Allotment and Leisure Gardeners (NSALG) and which are within the limits permitted without local authority building approval. The NSALG recommendations being: Plot-holder's shed five square metres. A greenhouse fifteen square metres. A polytunnel five square metres, exceptions being buildings erected pursuant to the **Tenancies Act 1950**. The Member shall be responsible for the removal of any building on or before expiry of the Tenancy. All buildings erected on the Allotment Garden that may be laid out in any Agreement between The Society and the Landlord shall be Paramount.
- 4.1.11 At any time, any official representative of The Society shall be entitled to enter onto, and inspect, any plot/bed, or shed, or greenhouse or polytunnel on any allotment.
- 4.1.12 The Tenancy of the Allotment shall terminate whenever the Member terminates the Tenancy or Right of Occupancy, or where the rent is in arrears for two consecutive years, or where the Member is not duly observing and/or complying with the conditions of the Tenancy.
- 4.1.13 In such cases notice shall be given in writing to The Society and the Member.
- 4.1.14 The Tenancy shall terminate by The Society, by the giving of twelve (12) months notice in writing; such notice to expire not later than the date of the next meeting of the Society, which shall be earlier than **September 29<sup>th</sup>** (Michaelmas) in each year, or by the Landlord pursuant to **Section 1 (a) Allotment Act 1922** the date of termination shall be the date between Lady Day and Michaelmas.
- 4.1.15 At the termination of the Tenancy The Member will return the plot/plots occupied to The Society in such a state as meets the conditions of the Agreement and that any tools or implements brought on the site by The Member shall be removed.

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- 2.13 Hosepipes** or sprinklers are not encouraged except to fill water containers but may be used under special or unavoidable circumstances. Plot holders are encouraged to harvest rainwater and to use water conserving measures on their plots as much as possible.
- 2.14 Wildlife Ponds** are allowed, but only after written consent has been given by the Society's GMC after receiving a request accompanied by a detailed plan of what is intended. Ponds also need to be approved by the Landlord Paramount – where appropriate.
- 2.15 Do not build** anything on your plot that cannot be removed for the next Member if they do not want them. This includes buildings, paving or concrete.
- 2.16 Flammable fuels** used for engines, lawnmowers, etc. must not be stored or kept on site overnight.
- 3. YOUR TENANCY**
- 3.1 Allocation of Tenancy**
- The allocation of a tenancy for an allotment is the responsibility of the GMC. The GMC shall discharge its duty in accordance with the following rules: -
- 3.1.1 the tenancy of any allotment shall be reallocated as soon as practicable after the termination of the tenancy;
- 3.1.2 where there is a waiting list, the tenancy of any available allotment shall be allocated to the persons on that list in the strict date order of their names;
- 3.1.3 a person who is an affiliate member in arrears will only be allocated a tenancy if the arrears and the late membership fee is paid in full;
- 3.1.4 where there are persons on the waiting list, the GMC may allocate the tenancy of any available allotment in a manner which would, in their opinion, be in the best interests of X at the particular time;
- 3.1.5 a person who makes two offers of an allotment plot shall go to the end of the waiting list.

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3.1.6 The tenancy of an allotment will initially be allocated on a probationary trial basis for a period of six months. If after that period the plot has not been cultivated to an acceptable standard in accordance with the Conditions of Let and in the opinion of the GMC, the person concerned shall be required to vacate the allocated allotment plot forthwith. In that event, the person concerned will have no right of appeal.

### 3.2 Termination of Tenancy

3.2.1 The GMC may terminate the tenancy of a Member if the Member has:-

- I) failed to observe any of the conditions of the Conditions of Let;
- II) deliberately contravened any provision of the Constitution;
- III) acted in a manner which is prejudicial to the Society or to the general welfare of Society or which has brought the Society into disrepute.

3.2.2 The Secretary shall terminate the tenancy in writing on the person concerned and shall state the reasons for the tenancy being terminated. The person concerned shall have no right to appeal.

3.2.3 A member may terminate the tenancy at any time by notifying the Secretary in writing at the necessary notice time.

## 4 MEMBERS' RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES (TENANCY RULES)

The following Rules shall be the basis of all Tenancy Agreements between Aeron (the Society) and its individual Members who are garden plot-holders. Any references to a Landlord Paramount refers to the owner of the land who has leased or donates the land for allotment use to X.

These Rules and Conditions will be incorporated in all Tenancy Agreement Documents and will form a written part of that Agreement and will be the legal contract in force.

The Tenancy Rules and Conditions may from time to time be amended or changed as the GMC Executives see fit on behalf of X's Members. Any changes will be approved by

the members at an EGM called for that purpose or at the AGM. When an amendment or change occurs all garden plot-holders will be required to sign a new Tenancy Document containing any changes on expiry of their current Tenancy Agreement that may still be in force.

### 4.1 Plot TENANCY CONDITIONS

4.1.1 The rent shall be paid by the 1<sup>st</sup> of May in any year.

4.1.2 The Society shall cause the land to be used for the purpose for which it is to say wholly or mainly for the production of vegetables, fruit and flowers for consumption and display by the Member and his family) and for no other purpose.

4.1.3 Any and all Members to keep plots in a good state of cultivation and fertility and in a good condition. At least three quarters of the time.

4.1.4 The Society shall ensure that no Member shall cause any nuisance or annoyance to the occupiers of any garden, or obstruct any path set out for the use of the gardens and adjoining plots.

4.1.5 It shall be a condition of the Tenancy Agreement that The Member shall not undertake any work on the Allotment Garden or of any part thereof without the written consent of the Landlord Paramount. The Member shall not work on the plot with a helper but The Member is responsible for the plot and is responsible for the full cost of the plot.

4.1.6 The Member shall not, without express written consent of the Landlord Paramount, cut or prune any timber or other trees or shrubs or remove any mineral, sand, clay or earth.

4.1.7 The Member shall not keep any livestock on the plot unless it is permitted under Statute without the prior express written consent of the Landlord Paramount and, if required, that of the Landlord Paramount.

4.1.8 The Society shall ensure that Members shall be responsible for keeping the boundary fence, hedge or paths within the boundaries of the allotments properly cut, trimmed or by any other necessary means properly maintained.