ALLOTMENT REPORT

AGENDA ITEM No. 6

MEETING:	ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
DATE:	4 TH SEPTEMBER 2024
REPORT BY:	GROUNDS MAINTENANCE SERVICES CO-ORDINATOR

1.0 Allotment Inspection Reports

Inspection Date – 6th August 2024.

AYCLIFFE VILLAGE

CHECKED	ASSESS	MENT				
Grass	Date of c	uts: W/E 2	28/7/24, 18/8	3/24		
Boundaries	Repairs c	arried out	to pedestria	an gate.		
Access Road	OK					
Water Supply	OK					
Litter & Rubbish	Clear					
Vacant Plots	None					
Number on waiting list	37					
Condition of Plots	V = Vacant	P = Poor over 50% uncultivated, letter required; M = Monitor; V = Vacant; Vm = Vacant requires GATC maintenance work; U = Under Offer				
	1a M	1b M	1c M	1d V	2a	2b
	3	4a P	4b	5a	5b	5c
	6a	6b	7a	7b	8	9
	10	11				
Other Comments	Nothing t	o add.				

BYERLEY PARK

CHECKED	ASSES	SSMENT				
Grass	Date o	f cuts: W/E [·]	14/7/24, 28/	7/24, 11/8/2	4	
Boundaries	OK					
Access Road	OK					
Water Supply	OK					
Litter & Rubbish	Clear					
Vacant Plots	1					
Number on waiting list	77					
Condition of Plots	V = Vac	P = Poor over 50% uncultivated, letter required; M = Monitor; V = Vacant; Vm = Vacant requires GATC maintenance work; U = Under Offer				
	1	2	3	4	5	6 M
	7	8a	8b	9	10	11 M
	12	13	14	15		
Other Comments	Nothin	g to add.				

FINCHALE ROAD

	1					
CHECKED	ASSESS	MENT				
Grass	Date of c	uts: W/E 1	4/7/24, 28	/7/24, 18/8/2	4	
Boundaries	OK					
Access Road	OK					
Water Supply	OK					
Litter & Rubbish	Clear					
Vacant Plots	None					
Number on waiting list	55					
Condition of Plots	V = Vacan	P = Poor over 50% uncultivated, letter required; M = Monitor; V = Vacant; Vm = Vacant requires GATC maintenance work; U = Under Offer				
	1a	1	2	3 M	4a M	4b
	5a	5b	6a P	6b P	7a P	7b
	8	9	10	11 M	12	13
	14 Vm	15 Vm	16	17	18a	18b
	19	20				
Other Comments	Nothing t	o add.				

CLARENCE CHARE

CHECKED	ASSESS	MENT					
Grass	Date of c	Date of cuts: W/E 14/7/24, 28/7/24, 18/8/24					
Boundaries	OK						
Access Road	OK						
Water Supply	OK						
Litter & Rubbish	Clear						
Vacant Plots	None						
Number on waiting list			92 for a pou				
Condition of Plots	P = Poor over 50% uncultivated, letter required; M = Monitor; V = Vacant; Vm = Vacant requires GATC maintenance work; U = Under Offer; RB = Raised Bed; PS = Poultry Site						
	1	2	3	4	5 P	6	
	7	8a	8b	9a	9b	10	
	11	12 M	13	14 Vm	15 P	16	
	17	21	22a	22b	23	27a	
	27	28 M	29a	29b	30	31	
	32	33	34	35	36	37	
	48						
	RB1 M	RB2					
	PS1	PS2	PS3 P	PS4	PS5		
Other Comments	Nothing t	o add.					

ST OSWALDS

CHECKED	ASSESSMENT												
Grass	Date of cuts: W/E 28/7/24, 18/8/24												
Boundaries	OK												
Access Road		Repairs required; estimates have been sought.											
Water Supply		Stand pipe post in need of replacement near plot 100.											
Litter & Rubbish	Clear	<u> </u>	1										
Vacant Plots	5												
Number on waiting list	78 for an	allotment,	11 for a pige	eon site, 11	for a beek	eeping plot.							
Condition of Plots	V = Vacant	P = Poor over 50% uncultivated, letter required; M = Monitor; V = Vacant; Vm = Vacant requires GATC maintenance work; U = Under Offer; PL = Pigeon Loft; BK = Bee Keeping Plot											
	2	3	4 M	5 O	6 M	7							
	8	9	10	11	12	13							
	14 M	15	16	17	18	19							
	20	21	22 O	23 M	24 P								
	25	26	27	30	31	32 P							
	33 M	34	35	36	37 P	37							
	39	40	41	42	43	44 P							
	45	46	47	48	49	50							
	51	52 P	53 P	54	55	56							
	57	58	59	60 M	61	62 M							
	63	64 Vm	65	66	67	68							
	69	70	71 M	72	73	74							
	75	76	77	78	79 M	80							
	81	82	83	84	85	86							
	87	88	89 P	90 M	91	92							
	93	94	95	96 M	97 M	99							
	100	101 P	102	103	104 Vm	105							
	106	107	108	109	110	111 Vm							
	112	113	114	115	116	117							
	118	119	120	121	122 P	123							
	124	125	126	127									
	PL1 PL7	PL2 PL8	PL3	ABK	PL5	PL6							
	BK1	BK2	BK3	BK4	BK5	BK6 BK7							
Other Comments	Nothing to	o add.				Nothing to add.							

2.0 Waiting Lists

2.1 There are currently 151 people on the waiting list for an allotment, 92 for a poultry site, 11 for a pigeon plot and 11 for a beekeeping plot. Please note that some people are on the waiting lists for multiple sites.

3.0 Maintenance Letters

3.1 Following the inspection on the 6th August, 19 maintenance letters were issued.

4.0 Pernicious Weed (Horsetail) - Update

- 4.1 Following the trial, and success on a plot at Clarence Chare, two further vacant plots have been identified at St. Oswald's Allotments for treatment.
- 4.2 Application of the herbicide now will limit the spread of the horsetail and offer the new tenants a 'blank canvas' to begin preparation for next year.

5.0 Application to Extend An Allotment

- 5.1 An application has been received from an existing tenant to extend their allotment into currently unused grassland adjacent to the plot.
- 5.2 The tenant proposes to fence of an area to add an additional 30m² onto the plot, increasing the plot size to 140m² and remaining in charging Band B (75m² 150m²).



5.3 The revised fence line will leave sufficient space to allow vehicular access to the site and will not affect any other plot holders.

6.0 Recommendations

- 6.1 It is recommended that Members:
 - i. receive the report,
 - ii. agree to the proposed allotment extension.

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