

## **Allotment Committee Report for 2025 PPC APM**

The legal situation with the allotments remains as in the 2024 REV 5 plan.

AC find REV 6, the latest version of the site owners management plan acceptable in respect of the technical aspects, access & future land ownership. However, an agreement on the associated Public Open Space Area has not yet been reached & currently the details for both land areas must be agreed in the single management plan, ESC are dealing with this & we have questioned whether the transfer of the allotment land can be made asap.

There have been six versions of this management plan that have been presented to ESC by the developer/owner and passed to us for comment. We have had many meetings, discussions and communications in the past 3 years about them, it's to be noted that PPC has only been a third party in this agreement & we have been in the hands of ESC throughout the negotiations. We remain optimistic for the allotments & hope that conveyance matters can progress soon.

A fair amount of work will be required once the land is in PPC ownership, PPC funds are earmarked for the allotment material costs, along with an agreed award from SZC to assist us with the allotment infrastructure. We have a waiting list of very patient residents for plots & we all remain enthusiastic to get planting.

Storage for tools etc., are planned & this may be in the form of a secure communal store or individual sheds. Much of the work involved with these items will require a volunteer element & we plan to create a community plot divided into smaller areas, with raised beds in an accessible area for the less able.

A draft plot layout & tenancy agreement is prepared & AC will meet to further discuss these once PPC are nearer to taking ownership of the land.

Barry Rowing

PPC Allotment Committee Chairman.