Allotment Rules & Regulations on Erection of Sheds, Greenhouses and Other Structures

A. Permission

Permission is to be sought from the Parish Council Office (PCO) for the erection of any tool shed, greenhouse, polytunnel etc as per section 'code of conduct' of the allotment tenancy agreement. The PCO will then forward any written requests to the Hurst Allotment Association (HAA).

Permitted sizes are as follows: Sheds – maximum size 6' x 4'; Greenhouses – maximum size 8' x 6'; Poly tunnels – by arrangement.

B. Requests

Requests for the above must be made in writing, showing the dimension of the building (height, width/depth and length) and the proposed position on the allotment, in order to demonstrate that its position will not adversely impact on any other allotment plot.

The allotment holder should discuss the structure with neighbouring plotholders, obtaining agreement with their plans.

If the written request for a structure meets both the permitted size and agreeable location, and has the agreement by neighbouring plotholders, the HAA may give approval and inform the PCO of their decision.

If the written request for a structure does not meet the permitted size or the request is for a polytunnel or other structure, the PCO together with the HAA will make the decision, which will then be taken to the Parish Council Services Committee for approval. Upon approval/disapproval, the PCO will write to the plot holder advising them of the result/action.

C. Responsibility

The allotment plot holder will be responsible for the erection of the building in a safe manner and the building must be maintained in good repair with adequate locks. It is strongly recommended that the allotment plot holder takes out appropriate insurance for the building and its contents.

The provision and use of structure is at the owner's risk and at no times becomes the property or the responsibility of the Parish Council.

The Parish Council reserves the right to refuse permission if the structure's size, location, style and function are deemed to be inappropriate for its location.

The Parish Council reserves the right to withhold permission if it deems that too many structures have been erected, or that the access or functionality of the allotment plots is being impaired.

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