

BRIAR ROAD ALLOTMENT HOLDER'S ASSOCIATION

Dear Plot Holders,

We hope everyone is well – the site is much busier and it's good to see the growing season underway

SPRING FAIR – Sunday 29th May - 10am – 3pm: A quick reminder that we're holding a Spring Fair on site to include a plant, produce and tool sale as well as refreshments. We'd be really grateful for any plants, tools or produce (especially rhubarb) for the sale, so please bring any contributions along to the hut on the Saturday 28th evening, or first thing on the Sunday morning. You could also help by spreading the word to your friends and family – the more the merrier!

FREE SHED AVAILABLE: The local neighbour of a plot holder will have a 7x5 shed available in the next few weeks. If you're interested or know anyone that might be, get in touch with Emma on Plot 11a - www.earthflowertherapies.com / 07964 191566

TAPS: A list of dripping and broken taps has been reported to the council's facilities management team who have said they should attend to fix within the next week or so. In the meantime, we'd like to remind everyone to make sure taps are shut off and hosepipes disconnected each time they're used. If taps are left on, the pressure can often pop the hose off wasting an awful lot of water.

ANDOVER ROAD GATES: We're still awaiting the repair of the Andover Road entrance gates. Surveys have been completed and the council allotment team has confirmed that they are getting quotes for the work and awaiting a date for a repair. Whilst not ideal, don't forget that there is also a gate on the Meadway that your key will also fit if you're struggling.

PESTICIDES and HERBICIDES: Finally, a quick reminder about the use of chemicals on site. We're incredibly lucky to have a host of wildlife on site, including hedgehogs as well as our close proximity to the river Crane, so please make sure that if you have to use any pesticide or herbicide you ensure it conforms to current UK regulations. If you do use slug pellets, please use sparingly and make sure that you only use a product containing Ferric Phosphate – old slug pellets containing Metaldehyde are banned in the UK as a pesticide.

Thanks for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you at one of the future events

Kind Regards

BRAHA Committee

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