

SUMMER NEWSLETTER

Well its Summer at last and things have finally got going. The plague of slugs has given way to a glut of courgettes, albeit gnawed by the slimey critters, and things are growing well. Let's hope we get a reasonable harvest after a very slow start.

Bonfires

There have been reports of bonfires during the day again. Most of us have had blight this year due to the damp conditions and burning is the best way to dispose of the haulms which cannot be composted, but bonfires are only permitted 2 hours before sunset.

Paths

Some of the paths are getting so narrow in places that only the Great Blondini could navigate them. The path should be wide enough for a wheelbarrow to pass along it, that is the handle width plus operators hands, not just the wheel. Trees need to be cut back and obstructions removed so that folk can move freely around the site. The edge of the path needs to be in line with the boundary of your plot. This will be checked at the next plot inspection in the Autumn.

Gates

Recently some plot holders have had crops taken or suffered damage to their property. Please advise us, and where appropriate the police, so that we can monitor any problems and guard against future ones. A lot of money has been spent to try to keep our site secure so we all need to play a part in keeping it so. There are still reports of gates being left open at night or early in the morning. Some people are reported to be entering by one gate and leaving by another. Please check that all gates are closed and locked behind you if no one else is about.

Site Manager Shed

Some of you may have noticed the disappearance of the site manager shed. Fortunately it is not the result of theft or vandalism. We had the opportunity to buy a metal shed at a very reasonable price, which has now been erected. We hope this will withstand the rigours of our usage for many years to come with far less maintenance than a wooden shed. The original shed was bid for by a plot holder and we hope it gives him many years of good service.