

Allotments

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I apply?

Speak with the councillor responsible for allotments or write to the Parish Clerk to see what vacant plots we have.

Do I have to live in Menheniot to use the allotments?

Yes. The land is put aside for the benefit of people who live in the parish. If you move out of the area, you will need to give notice and hand the plot back to the council.

What if there are no vacant plots?

We will put your name on a waiting list and let you know when there is one free. We have 26 plots.

What is the charge?

We charge £12 per year, payable in advance on the first day of the month after you sign the agreement. There's no provision for part year payment. After this, we invoice you in January each year for the coming 12 month period.

Is there anything more to pay than that?

No. The Parish Council pays the water charges and any other charges that might be levied on the allotments.

How long does the agreement last for?

The agreement lasts indefinitely unless you break any of the terms of the agreement or you wish to cancel the agreement.

How do I cancel the agreement?

You need to give us at least three months' notice so that we can arrange for new tenants to take over. Write or email the Parish Clerk at the address below.

Can I let someone else manage the plot for me?

If you're unwell and unable to manage the plot on a temporary basis, we are happy for someone else to look after the space on your behalf. However, you cannot sub-let the plot or pass it onto anyone else. If you think you may have a problem looking after the space, please contact the Parish Clerk for advice.

I'd like to run my allotment as a small business and sell on the produce.

You can only grow produce, plants, fruit or flowers for your own personal consumption, you must not grow anything on a commercial basis.

Where can I get advice about taking on the allotment and how it runs?

The National Allotment Society (NAS) can give advice, and Menheniot allotment holders have their own local committee where you can discuss the running of the plots and share good practice. Contact the Clerk for their address.

What are the next steps?

Read through the Tenancy Agreement to make sure you understand our Terms & Conditions. If you are not sure if you qualify, please contact us.

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