

# WPC Management Protocol

## Parish Piece Allotments

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### Objectives

The objective of this document is to define the best practice, guidelines, and targets for the management of the Parish Piece Allotments.

This protocol is managed and agreed by the Amenities Committee and implemented by the Clerk and the Head Groundsman.

### General policy

The policy of the Council is to manage the general environment of the Parish Piece. Parish Piece is within the AONB. A part of the field will be maintained as a natural area to encourage wildlife.

### Council maintenance policy

WPC remains responsible for the hedgerow and headland areas.

WPC will maintain the main paths and parking areas with monthly cutting of the grass during the growing season

The verges / headlands of the field (outside the mown paths and parking areas) will be maintained as natural areas. They may be cut by WPC a maximum of twice a year.

WPC will maintain the hedgerows to encourage wildlife.

The WPC Clerk is the allotment site manager

The Allotment association and the plot holders are responsible for the tidy management of the plot areas, paths, and on-site shed and communal areas (including the mown paths and parking areas)

The allotment association members may make use of the on-site shed and concrete platform to collect rain water and for related association activities.

Plots holders may place sheds on the edge of the plot provided that they do not obstruct access to the site.

Plot holders may not cultivate or interfere with (eg trample or use as storage or dumps etc) the designated natural areas.

Sheds must be of natural material construction and colour and a maximum 50 sq ft.

No permanent structures may be placed on the site.

A minimum of 50% of a plot must be cultivated, and all areas of a plot must be maintained to keep weeds under control. Failure to do so for a period of 3 or more months may result in a warning and subsequently forfeiture of the plot.

All proposed changes to the site must be in agreement with the Amenities Committee.