

## MEREVALE ALLOTMENT SITE

### CODE OF CONDUCT

The Code of Conduct has been produced by Atherstone Town Council, in consultation with the Merevale Allotment Association, and it applies to all tenants of the site, not just those who are members of the Association.

All tenants are required to follow the Code of Conduct and if a tenant is found in breach at any time a warning will be issued in line with the Allotment Garden Tenancy Rules and Agreement.

- **Cultivation:** Keep your allotment: “free from weeds and well manured and otherwise maintain it in a good state of cultivation and fertility and good condition” Regular inspections are undertaken by Atherstone Town Council.
- **Bonfires:** these can now only be lit between October 1<sup>st</sup> and the last day of February. Bonfires should still be considered a last resort to be used for burning diseased matter or materials that cannot be otherwise composted. Bonfires must not be lit when the wind is blowing towards the nearby houses. If in doubt observe the wind direction using the numerous flags that are on site.  
(Bonfires cannot be lit between March 1<sup>st</sup> and September 30<sup>th</sup>)
- **Gates:** the entrance gates should be locked every time a tenant enters or leaves the site to stop unauthorised visitors, fly tippers, dog walkers etc. All tenants should carry their key with them at all times.
- **Cockerels / Ducks:** these are not permitted.
- **Dogs:** these are allowed on site but should be kept on a lead at all times and dog litter must be cleared up.
- **Rubbish Disposal:** tenants must not deposit rubbish anywhere on the site. They should compost green waste within their own plot or take it home, see next item recycle point. Hazardous waste should be notified to the Town Council.
- **Recycling Area** (located at the Picnic bench on the car park)  
If tenants have surplus plants or items that they think other tenants may be able to make use of these can be put at the recycling point. Do not use this area to dispose of rubbish found on allotments.
- **Canalside tenants** – tenants whose plots form a boundary with canal should leave a metre clearance at the canal bank to allow for maintenance access and for their own safety.
- **Merevale Wall** – tenants are required to leave a three metre gap between their plot and the wall to allow for maintenance access.

Issued to all tenants December 2013 onwards.