

# NEWSLETTER - FEBRUARY 2020

## NOTICES!

- COMMITTEE MEETING The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 10.00 hrs. – Please see Notice Board for further dates!
- 2. WORK PARTY Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February at 10.00 hrs. (weather permitting). Please come and help if you can just for a couple of hours! Further dates will be posted in Committee Meeting Minutes (see Notice Board) and are also on the Website under 'Work Parties'.
- 3. AGM This year's meeting will take place on Saturday 21 March at 11.00 hrs. If you would like any matters to be raised at this meeting, please let Robbie know via forgefarmallotments@gmx.co.uk.
- 4. WHITE BOARD A whiteboard has been erected in the Green Shed. We will post jobs here in order that those who would like to help, but are unable to attend scheduled work parties, can do so. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated.
- 5. **COMMITTEE** If anyone wishes to put themselves forward to join the Committee please contact Robbie via the FFAA email address above.

#### HEDGE CUTTING

Generally speaking, it is recommended that hedges are left alone between March and September. It's still worth checking for nests outside this period because some birds will sometimes nest in winter. If you need to trim the hedge then cutting it in late winter is the best time.

# **Bonfires!**

A reminder that Bonfires are permitted during MARCH for green allotment waste/diseased vegetation. Please refer to the Rule Book or ask a member of the Committee for further clarification.

WE HAVE RECEIVED YET MORE REPORTS ABOUT THE MAIN GATE BEING LEFT OPEN. PLEASE ENSURE, ON YOUR EXIT, THAT YOU HAVE LOCKED IT. IT IS IN <u>ALL</u> OUR INTERESTS TO KEEP THE ALLOTMENTS SECURE!!

# PLQT LETTING

All available plots are currently allocated.

# RHS MALVERN SPRING FESTIVAL

Walmley Ash Allotment Association are organising a day trip to the RHS Malvern Spring Festival.

If you are interested, more details can be found in the Green Shed.

Completed forms should be returned to the WAAA Secretary (address on form), by 29<sup>th</sup> February.

# Rubbish Disposal

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE RUBBISH AT THE BIG SHED. ALL RUBBISH SHOULD BE DISPOSED OF RESPONSIBLY. THANK YOU!

#### **ALLOTMENT SHOP**

#### **Opening Hours / Access**

A reminder that the shop will be open during Work Parties and Committee Meetings. Alternatively, if you would like access, look out for the **Red** Flag!



#### **Potato Seeds**

Unfortunately, due to the poor pick up of seed potatoes last year, we have decided not to sell them this year!

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## Trip to RHS Malvern Spring Festival

Thursday 7th May 2020

We are hoping to run a day trip to the RHS Malvern Spring Festival on Thursday 7th May 2020. The cost per person is £50. This includes entry to the show and coach travel.

We need to know how many people would <u>definitely</u> like to go by the 29th of February 2020. This is open to all plotholders and their family.

If less than 15 people are interested, the trip will not go ahead.

In the event of the trip being cancelled you will be notified via email and all cheques will be destroyed.

If you would like to reserve a place on the trip, please complete the form below in block capitals and send along with your cheque to:

WAAA Secretary, 15 Penns Wood Drive, Walmley, Sutton Coldfield, B76 1HZ by 29th February 2020. Cheques should be made payable to Walmley Ash Allotment Association

Refunds can only be made if the trip is cancelled or if the seat is filled and paid for by someone else.
Confirmation of pickup time and location will be distributed nearer the time.
Please reserve place(s) for the visit at £50 per person.
Cheque Value £
Name(s)
Address
Post Code
Emailplease write clearly.
Tel no (mobile if possible)
Emergency telephone number for day of trip

Allotment name ......