

RESPONSIBILITIES OF ALLOTMENT HOLDERS

Congratulations on choosing to rent an allotment at Beelarong Community Farm! We wish you great success and productivity, and we hope that you enjoy the benefits of growing your own tasty, fresh food!

It is important that you look after your allotment and not allow it to become neglected, overgrown or unproductive. We therefore recommend that you visit your allotment at least once a fortnight to maintain and water it.

It is a condition of Beelarong's lease with Brisbane City Council that allotments must be kept clean and tidy and free from weeds and pests. It is therefore your responsibility to maintain the appearance of your allotment and the adjoining pathways.

Rental of an allotment is therefore conditional upon the following:

- Keep your garden plot tidy and safe by controlling weeds, removing dead plants and avoiding the use of materials that are tattered, broken, unsightly or dangerous.
- Produce should be harvested in a timely manner. Not harvesting regularly increases the risk of disease and also increases the temptation for others to help themselves to farm produce, rather than letting it go to waste.
- Plots cannot be sublet to other people or groups.
- Plots cannot be used to grow produce for sale.
- If there has been no activity in your allotment for two months or if your allotment becomes overgrown and encroaches onto neighbouring allotments or contains unacceptable levels of weeds, you will be notified by the Farm and given 2 weeks to rectify. If after 2 weeks, nothing has been done and we have not heard from you, your allotment will be forfeited and it will be reallocated, without refunds.

If extended leave is needed, or there are exceptional circumstances, please contact the Allotment Coordinator to discuss organising cover.

Over extended holiday periods, especially Christmas and January when it can be hot and humid, many allotment holders till all their plants into the soil and plant a cover crop such as mung beans, oats, buckwheat or Lucerne. This has two advantages:

- The cover crop suppresses weeds and
- It is a great green manure crop that can be tilled into the soil when you are ready to begin planting again.

For Admin Use

Amount Received: \$

Date:

Allotment Register Updated:

Allotment surrendered in clean condition?

Date Bond refunded:

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