



Dear Biggleswade allotment holder,

Thank you for enquiring about joining our association you will find below an introduction to Biggleswade Allotment Association followed by a application form.

Biggleswade Allotment Association was originally formed in 2008 under the name of Biggleswade Allotment Group as way to share information amongst plot holders, enable us to discuss issues that affect the allotments with Biggleswade Town Council and help us to join together in our common love of growing things.

A lot happened during that time both good and not so good so In June 2019 it was felt that the group needed to refocus and take the group to the next level to enable the group to grow and benefit its members, to bring about changes and improvements for allotment holders.

The group's core aims remained broadly unchanged: Support & advice, plant & seed swaps, get to know other allotment holders, network for sharing useful information & representation to Town Council.

We also hold several meetings throughout the year including a BBQ on the site and various other get togethers to enable our members to get to know each other. We also hold an annual general meeting in October to provide an update on the associations progress and vote on the way forward along with a vote on your committee members.

There is a membership cost to our Association which is currently £5.00 per year all members of our Association are enrolled in the National Society of Allotment & Leisure Gardeners (NSALG) as it will provide us with advice on legal issues, public liability insurance etc. The majority of our Membership fee £3.00 goes to NSALG to provide individual members with these benefits the rest goes towards the running costs of our Association.

Our preferred means of commutation is by e-mail to enable as many members as possible to quickly be brought up to date. We also have a Facebook page which is an ideal way to keep members informed and regularly update the page as well as allowing our members to contribute and communicate with each other.

We are aware that some members don't have access to a computer and to accommodate these members notices will continue to be posted on notice boards around the site.

We would like to unite everyone who enjoys the site, to join our very friendly association

Biggleswade Allotment Association website: biggleswadeallotments.co.uk

Biggleswade Allotment Association Committee members

Position	Name	Email	Plot No
Chairman:	<i>Brian Barraclough</i>	chairman@biggleswadeallotments.co.uk	220
Secretary:	<i>Jason Domagala</i>	secretary@biggleswadeallotments.co.uk	219
Treasurer:	<i>Jamie Milnes</i>	treasurer@biggleswadeallotments.co.uk	201
Membership/ Social	<i>Rachel Smith</i>	membership@biggleswadeallotments.co.uk	216b
Social events	<i>Nigel Collins</i>	social@biggleswadeallotments.co.uk	240
Special Events	<i>John Ingrey</i>	events@biggleswadeallotments.co.uk	202

Please find attached a membership form for our group. All members will be enrolled in the National Society of Allotment and leisure Gardner's (NSALG).

Regards

Brian Barraclough

Chairman, Biggleswade Allotment Association.

4th September 2020



We are a social group with these main objectives/aims:

Objectives of association: To promote the interests of all members in Allotment activities and to take joint actions for the benefit of members

- Support and advice, Plant and seed swaps, get to know other allotment holders, Network for information, Representation to the Town Council and Social get togethers.

We ask for £5.00 (for the main allotment holder only, so a family running a number of allotments only pays £5.00). including £3.00 affiliation the Society of Allotment and Leisure Gardeners (NSALG) and £2.00 for group running costs including newsletters, booking fees and social meetings.

We do have a committee to help steer the group. Your input and suggestions would be helpful. Please complete this form and hand to any committee member or send it with £5.00 to **Rachel Smith: 152 Hitchin Street. Biggleswade, SG188BP**

Payment can also be made using BACS:

Biggleswade Allotment Group

Sort code: 30-90-79

Account: 01919914

*** Please ensure that you include your plot number as a reference *** and send a copy of the application form to membership@biggleswadeallotments.co.uk

Eligibility of membership: Members must be tenants of Allotments let by Biggleswade Town Council and agree to follow our rules

Name	
Telephone No	
Email Address	
Postal address	
Plot Number	
Payment method	
Signed & date	
Committee use only	Registered by:
	Date entered: