

# Changes in the way we communicate to you

Over the last few months, , the Committee has been working hard behind the scenes reviewing, modernising and improving the ways of communicating with the growing number of tenants at Woodley Allotments, Reading Road (now 313). The Committee, who works with and on behalf of Woodley Town Council, understands the need for all allotment holders to have direct and official routes for contacting the Committee, where tenants can discuss issues either discretely or more widely. It is also important for there to be places, supported by the Committee, to find the most recent information on plot inspections, news updates, official documents, newsletters and helpful information on plot management and growing different crops, both for new tenants and old.

These changes are being rolled out more quickly than anticipated following recent developments on Facebook. The current Facebook Group "Woodley Allotments and Friends" was set up at the request of the elected Committee a few years ago, but the current Committee no longer has management of this Facebook Group.

With that in mind, the current Committee are pleased to announce the launch of a new Facebook Group "Woodley Allotments Tenants Association at Reading Road". You can find a link to that new Facebook Group below and we hope that you will join knowing that this Group is being run for you by the Committee and under its full control (Admin). We hope that this new Facebook page will be a great place both to share tips and as a place for the Committee to provide important updates and news.

This is just one element of a number of changes in the way that we will communicate with you going forward, including the use of new email addresses, a Twitter feed and, as you can see from the header in this Special Bulletin, the use of new images and our new title as well as changes to the monthly newsletter.

We have had a number of meetings with Woodley Town Council (WTC) and they have fully sanctioned all of the changes we are making and fully support us in going forward. We will also be issuing a new joint WTC/Committee Welcome Pack shortly which will clearly show new tenants (waiting list is still 80+) how to go about working their new plots. This pack will also be made available to all current tenants.

We hope you will find these new ways of communication useful and we will welcome any feedback from you, as well as comments from you as to how they might be further improved.

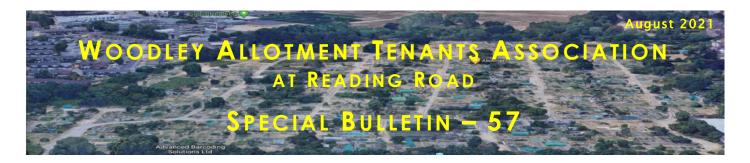
You can Click on or Scan the QR Code below to access our new Facebook Group. You can also find the Facebook Group joining Questions and Facebook Group Rules on page two.

Many thanks

Scott Golding - Chair

Woodley Allotments Tenants Association at Reading Road





# Our new Facebook Group Membership Questions & Rules

# **Membership Questions**

Question 1 - What is your plot number?

Question 2 - When did you first take on your Plot?

Question 3 - Is the Plot registered in your name with Woodley Town Council? (i.e. Did you sign the Tenancy Agreement?). If not; then whose name is on the Tenancy Agreement?

# **Group Rules**

#### Be kind and courteous

We're all in this together to create a welcoming environment. Let's treat everyone with respect. Healthy debates are natural, but kindness is required.

Constructive criticism is always welcome. However; offensive and derogatory language/comments will not be tolerated and any member using them will be suspended immediately pending termination by the group administrators.

## Stay on Subject

Please keep the conversations relevant to the ideas of sharing information about our allotment plots and how we can help one another.

### No hate speech or bullying

Make sure that everyone feels safe. Bullying of any kind isn't allowed, and degrading comments about things such as race, religion, culture, sexual orientation, gender or identity will not be tolerated.

If you have something that you would like to discuss that you would rather not post about, you can always contact the Admins of the Group via a Direct Message (DM)

#### No Promotions, Advertising, Selling or Spam

Give more than you take to this group. Self-promotion, advertising, spam, selling and irrelevant links are not allowed.

### Respect everyone's privacy

Being part of this group requires mutual trust. Authentic, expressive discussions make groups great, but may also be sensitive and private. What's shared in the group should stay in the group.