

Allotments

Great Notley Parish Council ('GNPC') would like to reassure residents that it is in continued talks with Braintree District Council regarding the provision of land for the use as allotments. GNPC met on 4th September 2023, at which this matter was debated. GNPC resolved to continue to put pressure on the District Council to fulfil its duty to provide sufficient allotment space in or around the village. Residents may be interested to know the detail of that discussion, an extract of which is copied below:

23/92.2 To discuss progress on the Allotments

*The Clerk advised that there had been no update from the District Council since the last meeting, despite attempts to secure one. The option to submit a Freedom of Information (FOI) request to the District Council was mooted. It was **agreed** that one final attempt to obtain a firm update from the District Council would be made by the Clerk/Chairman, otherwise an FOI would be necessary. Councillor Crawford agreed to properly review the District Council's statutory duty and revert back to the Council at the next meeting. Further discussion can then be had with all Councillors present. In the interim, it was further **agreed** that information would be shared on our website and Facebook page to advise residents of our continued efforts.*

Action: Councillor Crawford & Clerk

In the meantime, please accept our assurance that this issue is being pursued with the District Council and we will continue to update residents accordingly.