



NADCAA

Newton Abbot & District Co-Operative Allotment Association

2021 A.G.M. NEWS - Please read as this affects all members of NADCAA



These are the main points of the 2021 Annual General Meeting held on September 20th at 7.30pm at the Recreational Centre in Marsh Road.

Many thanks to all members who attended the AGM and to those who did not attend but submitted proxy votes instead.

Several important decisions were agreed and a new Tenancy Agreement has been drafted to incorporate the changes which will be introduced from the 1st January 2022, it is currently with the National Allotment Society Legal Department.

The key decisions taken were as follows:-

1. New cultivation standards were agreed. A copy of these standards is posted on the NADCAA website under the Tenancy Info. Tab.
2. Before being admitted as a full member of NADCAA, new occupants will be offered a three month delayed tenancy followed by three months' probation.
3. Any member who has received a lapse in cultivation letter or any other formal letter from the association for breach of association rules during the tenancy year will no longer be automatically invited to renew their annual tenancy.



90% of members who voted supported the above changes

New rules regarding pesticides and herbicides



1. As of the 1st January 2022, the use and storage of metaldehyde slug pellets on the allotments will not be permitted. Please cheque your sheds for any stocks of these old chemicals the use of which will also become illegal from April next year.
2. To safeguard wildlife it was agreed that slug pellets containing aluminium sulphate or ferric phosphate should only be used sparingly and as a last resort
3. Weed killers containing Glyphosate shall not be permitted on paths between plots.

Rents



The new rent for half a plot for 2022 will be £30. 81% of members who voted were in favour of this rent increase which will apply to the renewals that will be sent out soon.

The resolution submitted by a member to discontinue the 20% rent reduction for members of pension age was not carried although the vote was close. 38% of votes were in favour of the resolution, 52% were against and 10% of voters abstained. This means that the resolution in 2018 that the discount would keep track with retirement age continues i.e. if you are 66 next year you will get it.



The Newsletters are usually produced by our Environmental & Communications Officer Meryl, but sadly she has been in hospital which has laid her up. On behalf of all of the Committee and the members that enjoy the Newsletters, Get Well Soon Meryl!

Please email info@nadcaa.org.uk or contact the Secretary if you would like to be sent a copy of the minutes of the AGM.