

**JULY 2020**

**DENNINGTON ALLOTMENT AND GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION**

Last year the allotment celebrated its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary with much enthusiasm and dedication from its members. Throughout the summer season members produced an abundance of crops with a variety of innovative and alternative methods of cultivation, including the kitchen garden theme, orchards and companion planting. However the persistent rains at the beginning of this year prevented any meaningful work being carried out for several months and there was much to be done when the weather finally turned to a very dry and warm spring.

Fortunately at this time the allotment was one of the few places that people were allowed to visit and work during the Covid 19 'Lockdown'. Social distancing was particularly easy and the individual plots began to be transformed with much digging, tilling and planting.

We have all but eradicated the persistent dog fouling around the perimeter using cartoon style signs on the gates and fencing.

Once again we thank Robert Wardley for providing his grass mowing skills throughout the year. We thank Keir Wyatt of The Dennington Consolidated Charities and his neighbour Bill Chambers for organising and delivering a load of wood chips, which was very much appreciated. We also thank Nick Watts for maintaining the perimeter trees, hedging and ditches.

We are pleased to confirm that we now have full occupancy of the Allotment and the finances remain healthy with a £916 bank cash balance.

Pamela Turner (Secretary)

John Jarvie (Chairman)