

Allotment Report – May 2025

We currently have over 130 plots over the two sites. The largest and oldest site, the Glebe, has 80 plots, and Simons Cross 50 plots.

Almost all plots on the two sites are taken with only three plots on the Glebe currently vacant. Unfortunately, these three plots require a lot of work to get them back into shape to enable them to be rented out.

The Hazel Coppice on the Glebe (Plot 39A) has been totally transformed into a useful productive hazel grove which will benefit the allotment community. Thanks to Simon Harrington's hard work, all the hazel stools have been cut to the ground and new growth is already emerging. We are looking forward to a steady supply of hazel over the coming years.

It is a very busy time on the allotments just now with seeds being sown and vegetables, which have been grown earlier under glass, being planted. Although we are currently blessed with warm sunny weather, which is great, we are also in need of rain. Consequently, we are having to water the plots regularly.

If anyone is interested in taking on an allotment, we are expecting some allotments to come free in the autumn, so please contact us if you want to know more. It's a great way to stay fit and healthy, get out in the fresh air, socialize with new and old friends. And the added bonus is that you get to grow your own food!!

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