Inspection carried out by Operations Manager - Thame Town Council (TTC) and Chair - Stones Close Allotment Committee (SCAC)

Management of the allotments is the responsibility of the Stones Close Allotment Committee, and as such they have their own maintenance regime.

Date: 19 August 2024

Location	Condition	Notes / Action Required	Responsibility
Barn	Outside of the timber clad building in good repair. Bird boxes on side of barn. Water harvesting tanks.	Regular stain timber cladding	SCAC
Toilet	Self-composting toilet on site Chemical toilet on site April - October		SCAC
Water storage	Water storage tanks installed around the site which autofill overnight. Allows good distribution of water and SCAS to regulate water used (if higher than expected). Water dispensed into troughs which are covered and safe. Water harvesting – maximised on all communal structures. Allotment holders encourage to harvest water from sheds on their plot.	Legionella – no statutory requirement to test. More prevalent in warmer weather, vulnerable people more susceptible to infection. SCAC has 'Risk of Legionella' document, a copy of which is sent to every member. Water turned off over winter and system flushed through when water turned on in the spring.	SCAC
Main Gate	Good condition	Keypad replaced on fairly regular basis as result of high usage. Sign requesting allotment holders to walk gate closed to avoid slamming closed. Rubber fitted to lessen noise. Gate post needs to be dug out and reset. Work pending re realignment of access linked to TCLT development on opposite side of the track.	SCAC
Planters	Three timber planters installed near entrance to site.	Currently not being cultivated	SCAC
Paths and roadways	Level and in good state of repair.		SCAC
Wildlife Pound	Open area of ground not being used for allotments as access required to electricity pylon.		SCAC

Allotment Plots	Varying sizes to accommodate need	Plots in general good condition. Five vacant plots, 2 people on waiting list.	SCAC / TTC
Hedge along south boundary	Tree / hedge planting along boundary	Established and growing	SCAC