

## **Plot Usage Policy**

1. Plots should be maintained in good condition in accordance with the Tenancy Agreement, and with a minimum of 75% of total area in productive use. Time of year and weather conditions will be taken into account. A tape measure will not be used!

2. If you feel your plot is falling below this standard, please let one of the site coordinators know. If the site coordinators are informed, consideration will always be given to temporary difficulties that may keep the tenant away from the plot (e.g. personal injury/illness/bereavement).

3. The site coordinators will visit all plots on the site, unannounced, for an inspection of plot usage. This inspection will take place for all plots about every 3 months, but plots where there is a concern will be inspected after 6 weeks. Each tenant will receive an e mail after the inspection. The e mail will let you know if they have any concerns.

4. The process of expressing concern is:

**Stage 1, concern;** under use of plot.

**Stage 2,** very concerned; you have received the stage 1 e mail. There has been little progress. The Totnes allotment association plot usage sub committee (PLUS) will be informed.

**Stage 3,** very serious concern; your tenancy will be terminated two weeks after you receive our e mail.

5. The site coordinators will report all actions and decisions to the Totnes allotment association committee at its next meeting.

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