

COXHOE PARISH COUNCIL

Quarrington Hill Allotments

Agreement made this _____ day of _____ 20__ between the Parish Clerk acting for and on behalf of Coxhoe Parish Council (herein called the council) and _____ of _____ (herein after called the tenant), whereby the council agrees to let , and the tenant agrees to hire as a yearly tenancy from the first day of ____ 20____ an allotment at Quarrington Hill, provided by the council, subject to any reservations contained in the lease under which the council hold the land, at a yearly rent payable at a proportionate rent for any part of a year under which the tenancy may extend.

The tenancy is subject to general conditions and rules set out in this agreement and in particular the following:

- a) The rent shall be paid on the 1st day of January each year.

The tenancy of the allotment may also be terminated by one months notice in writing given by the council:

- a) If the rent is in arrears for not less than 30 days after demand is made for payment.
OR
- b) If the council is satisfied that, not less than 3 months after commencement of the tenancy the tenant is not keeping the allotment in a good clean state of cultivation and fertility.
OR
- c) The tenant has failed to comply, within a reasonable time, with any notice in writing by the council, served on the tenant, requiring him/ her to remedy any breach of or failure to comply with the general rules and conditions of the tenancy.
OR
- d) The tenant becomes resident outside of the Parish.

AND IN THE EVENT OF TERMINATION

- e) The tenant shall within 14days after the date of termination of this tenancy, remove any concrete or permanent foundations or such other structures from the allotment. Failing this, the council shall arrange for the removal of the foundations or structures and shall be entitled to recover the full cost thereof from the tenant.

General rules and conditions relating to Quarrington Hill Allotments

The provision of;

- 1 To keep the plot in a weed free clean and tidy state.
- 2 To cultivate the plot. General guidance is that 2/3rd of the plot is cultivated for the production of vegetables and fruit. The remaining 1/3rd is for footpath access, shed, green house and livestock pens.
- 3 Not to cause any nuisance or annoyance to the occupier of any other plots or neighbours.
- 4 Not to obstruct any path set out by the council for the use of the tenants of the allotments.
- 5 Not to underlet, sublet, assign or part with the possession of the allotment, or let any part thereof without written permission of the council. The provision of allotments under the Allotments Act is for the “cultivation by the occupier mainly for the production of vegetables or fruit by himself and his family”. If a tenant cannot manage to cultivate the plot he/she should consider giving up the plot. If there is a short term difficulty and he/she requires help for example during short term health

problems he/she should contact the Parish Clerk indicating the likely duration of needing assistance. The Parish Clerk will then offer the opportunity to assist to the next person on the waiting list. No other persons beyond the tenant, other members of their household or a temporary helper authorised by the Parish Clerk should be working on the plot. This assistance can only be provided for a maximum duration of 1 year and thereafter should the tenant remain unable to cultivate the plot the tenancy will be terminated and re-let from the waiting list.

- 6 Written consent must be obtained from the council to cut or prune any timber or other trees, or to take sell or carry away any mineral, gravel, sand or clay.
- 7 Keep all ditches properly cleaned, and maintain and keep in repair any fences and gates on the allotment.
- 8 Not to erect any buildings, structures, greenhouses, henhouses or fences, or to plant any hedges on the land without the written permission of the council.
- 9 Hens and or rabbits may be kept on the allotment in numbers which produce food for the tenant and his/her immediate family. Care should be taken to ensure a suitable environment for the animals. You should inform the council, in writing, of the number of animals you intend to keep.
- 10 Not to use barbed wire for a fence adjoining any path.
- 11 No bonfires are allowed on the allotments.
- 12 To keep pathways and tracks within the allotments and land immediately abutting thereon free from obstruction and reasonably clear from weeds.
- 13 Not to use the allotment garden or any part thereof to conduct any business or trade including storing and disposing of materials related to a business or trade.
- 14 Failure to comply with the conditions detailed above will result in the tenancy being terminated.

Waiting List

Applications to join the waiting list will be received in writing by the Parish Clerk. He/she will maintain the list in date order. Applicants must reside within the parish boundary. Applicants who already have an allotment at Quarrington Hill will be placed at the bottom of the waiting list and will only be allocated a second allotment if a vacant plot becomes available when there is no-one else on the waiting list.

Signed by the tenant _____ Date: _____

IN THE PRESENCE OF

Signature _____

Name in Capitals _____

Address _____

Date _____

Signed by the council _____ Date: _____