

Allotments report for Snape Parish Council Annual meeting 2026

At present we have one normal size plot vacant (£35 for this year rising to £37 for 2027/28) this plot is enclosed and ready to be used, plus two small community plots vacant, these are £5 each per annum. All allotment fees are used to maintain the allotment areas and Snape PC keep them as low as possible.

For this year's annual report I invited present allotment holders to write what the allotments mean to them, below are their comments.

"It's a lovely community spot; although we have 2 small community plots, it gives us a lot of enjoyment. It's very satisfying 'growing (a little) of your own' and always willing takers for any surplus."



"Having retired and moved from a house with a large garden, including a lovely kitchen garden, having the allotment close by our house in Snape is a great joy. It provides me with "something to do", fresh air, some exercise and a degree of peace and quiet! Plus the joy of producing fresh veg for our home and friends."

"For me, the allotment brings me back to earth, anchored, in touch with my real self. My senses come alive and I experience deep satisfaction in growing healthy organic fruits and vegetables as well as flowers. Please don't keep increasing the rental prices up. In Ipswich they only charge £10 per year."

"As well as supplying us with nutritious fruit and vegetables plus some flowers to brighten our home, at a time when close family members have serious health issues, my allotment has also provided me with much needed respite to support my own physical and mental wellbeing. An invaluable asset!"



"It's my quiet place, my space. It moves slowly as opposed to most things these days, a healthy escape. It's a community, sharing, thoughtful and humorous. Vegetables taste like they are supposed to! Passing time with fellow allotmenters is a welcome distraction."

"As the wife of an allotment holder, I can honestly say that my husband's allotment has taken over his life. He spends every spare minute he has at the weekends on his allotment. Unless he is trying to get away from me :) I don't mind though as the produce he grows for us is amazing. And the grandchildren will eat up all their vegetables if they know it comes from grandad's allotment."



"As we have a postage size garden, it allows me to grow fresh produce and vegetables. It's also a nice environment to spend a few hours+ a week and a good community of like minded people."

"My allotment is a place where I enjoy growing my own veg, chatting to other allotment holder's and having a bit of me time."

Maria Norman