

Bohemia Walled Garden Association

Action Plan for the period January - December 2018

Each year the Bohemia Walled Garden Association (BWGA) issue a plan for the coming year of our proposed activities with references to the Charity's aims. These are aspirations and we work hard to achieve them but sometimes circumstance beyond our control mean that they are not completed.

The BWGA Charity Commission objects:

(1) To promote for the public the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment.

(2) To advance the education of the public in the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment.

(3) The provision of facilities for recreation and other leisure-time occupation in the interests of social welfare for the public at large with the object of improving their conditions of life.

Overall Aim:

To restore and put back into active use the Victorian walled garden within the nature conservation area of Summerfields Wood.

This continues through the aims below:

1. To develop plots to rent out for the growing of vegetables and fruits.

- Plots will continue to be available.
- Plot fees will be collected in January and February at £1.20 per square metre.
- The plot waiting list will be maintained and regularly reviewed.

2. To obtain, through fund-raising, enough monies to carry out repairs to the damaged area of the eastern boundary wall to restore the garden to its original state.

- To oversee the wall build as per the Contract with the commissioned builder.
- To follow the Grant agreement with HBC and report to them as required.
- To keep records and accounts relating to expenditure, health and safety, insurance details.
- To inform BWGA members of any closures that may be needed during the build.

3. To make the entrance to the garden accessible to all.

- The building of the path through the woods to the garden entrance will be completed after the wall is built.

4. To maintain and keep the garden within the walls in good repair, safe and secure.

- The 'welfare shed' will be purchased and installed after the wall build.
- Regular maintenance will be done as needed.

5. Raising awareness of the site's historical, social and horticultural value, including the Bohemia Estate heritage area and Summerfields Wood (LNR).

- Promotion continues through the booklet (HLF funded) and planned update after the HLF project completion (2018/19).
- Events at the garden will be arranged as possible during the wall build.
- Information re the garden and wood flora and fauna will be available on the web site in 2018.
- The BWGA newsletter will be produced & available for members and supporters.

6. Working with the community

- BWGA will continue to welcome various groups and volunteers to the garden.

7 Education

- To continue to engage with groups and schools.
- A gardening project to be run by the Recovery College (Mental Health and Wellbeing) at the garden is being planned.

8. Health and Safety

- The BWGA insurance is renewed each July.
- The BWGA write and review risk assessments for activities at the garden.

9. To consider environmental issues

- The investigation into the possibility of piped water to the garden for drinking is ongoing.
- To continue water harvesting, compost production, recycling.
- Use of the solar/wind powered Waterless Toilet.

10. Lease requirements

- BWGA continue to inform HBC as lease holder of all relevant changes.
- To promote and encourage members to participate in joint projects with the HBC Rangers in Summerfields Wood

11. Charity Commission obligations

- The charity trustees meet and record decisions.
- Keep accurate and up to date accounts that are inspected annually.
- Report to the Charity Commission as required annually.
- Report to the BWGA members at the annual AGM.

Approved by trustees..... Date