

Bohemia Walled Garden Association

Action Plan for the period January - December 2020

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

- Regular maintenance will be done as needed.
- Investigate options for having a shelter on the east side of the garden to provide some shade.
- Investigate additional seating in the area in front of the new wall.

3. 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).
- Events at the garden will be arranged.
- Continue to maintain website for general information and for notices and news.

4. Working with the community

- BWGA will continue to welcome various groups and volunteers to the garden.
- Maintain access to BWGA trustees via email account and mailbox at HVA.

5. Education

- To continue to engage with groups and schools.
- Further development of the mini Forest Garden in the north east corner of the garden and opportunities for volunteering and skill share sessions.

6. Health and Safety

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

7. 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.

8. 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

9. 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