



HASLEMERE TOWN COUNCIL

Allotment rent 2027

BACKGROUND

The current charges are set at 40pence per square metre. The invoices are generated in November and become payable at the beginning of January.

Notice period

Under Section 10(1) of the Allotments Act 1950, a council must give at least 12 months' notice in writing of any proposed increase in rent. This means rent cannot be increased until 12 months after the notice has been served and this condition is set out in the terms of the tenancy agreement.

Reasonableness

Any increase must be reasonable. This is not defined strictly in the legislation, but councils are advised to:

- Reflect only the cost of managing and maintaining the allotments.
- Consider income vs expenditure on the allotment service.

Last year's figures

	Incoming rent	Outgoings	Budgeted outgoings
Clammer Hill	£624.00	£447.00	£900.00
Collards Lane	£2,478.00	£618.00	£1,000.00
Sturt Road	£1,097.00	£630.00	£900.00

Any underspend is put in an ear marked reserve to use for future one off allotment related projects.

This year's figures to date (month 4)

	Incoming rent due	Outgoings to date	Budgeted outgoings
Clammer Hill	£685.00	£136.00	£650.00
Collards Lane	£2,365.00	£400.00	£1,150
Sturt Road	£1,100.00	£248.00	£900.00

RECOMMENDED: There be no increase in allotment rent for 2027.