

To: Infrastructure, Land and Environment Policy Board

On: 15 March 2023

Report by: Chief Executive

Heading: Renfrewshire Allotments Annual Report 2022

1. Summary

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise the Infrastructure, Land and Environment Board of the Council's Allotments Annual Report for 2022. The report has been prepared in accordance with the Council's statutory duties under Section 121 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.
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2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Board:
- (i) Approves the Renfrewshire Annual Allotments Report 2022.
 - (ii) Notes that, subject to Board approval, the report will be published on the Renfrewshire Council website in accordance with statutory requirements.
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3. Background

- 3.1. The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 (Part 9) relates to allotments and encourages Councils to support the development of allotments and community growing spaces, recognising their contribution to health and well-being, sustainable local food production and community empowerment.
- 3.2. The Council has a statutory duty to provide allotments under the provisions of the Act and a number of associated duties, including the requirement for the publication of an annual allotments report. The report for 2021 was approved by the Board on 25 March 2022.

4. Renfrewshire Annual Allotment Report 2022

- 4.1. The report provides a summary of allotment provision in Renfrewshire over 2022, in accordance with the specific measures set out in Section 121 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.
- 4.2. The Act requires the Council to establish and maintain a list of all persons who request an allotment. Renfrewshire Council has six Allotment/Growing Ground Associations who lease and occupy Council land as set out in the table below. The sites had a total of 351 individual growing plots and 123 people awaiting allocation of an allotment or growing plot as reported by the six relevant growing groups in December 2022.

Table 1 Renfrewshire allotment sites and associations

Allotment Site	Association
Brediland Allotments, Paisley	Brediland Allotments Association
Grow in Glenburn, Glenfield Road, Paisley	Grow in Glenburn
West End Allotments, Paisley	Paisley West End Allotments Association
Sanctuary Gardens, Paisley	West End Growing Grounds Association
Broadloan Gardens, Renfrew	Renfrew Association of Growers & Gardeners
Erskine Community Allotments	Erskine Community Allotments Association

- 4.3. The number of those awaiting allotments has risen by 3 since the end of 2021 but the total remains below the statutory 50% ratio between waiting lists and plot numbers across Renfrewshire which would require the Council to consider additional allotment provision under Section 112 of the Act. It is however intended to engage with local communities about localised imbalances between supply and demand where these have been identified.
- 4.4. Continuing progress has been made in addressing the Council's additional statutory duties under the Act during 2022. This has included supporting the development of new growing initiatives, identifying opportunities for new groups, encouraging existing groups to promote community food growing and seeking new occupiers for recently vacated growing sites.
- 4.5. In particular the report highlights good progress in respect of new growing provision and the support of new groups, with outcomes including:-
- Development of proposals to create a new growing space in Ferguslie Park, Paisley in partnership with a local community group, with funding secured and delivery anticipated in spring 2023;

- Discussions with a number of community growing groups to consider the development of proposals for additional or new growing provision at Erskine, Renfrew, Johnstone and Paisley, with the potential for further work based around community support;
 - 4.6 The Allotments Annual Report also considers the continuing after-effects of the Covid pandemic over the last year, recognising that it is taking groups some time to return to full capacity, particularly in terms of volunteer inputs.
 - 4.7 Renfrewshire Council provided £161,942 financial support for growing grounds projects led by local communities during 2022, from four main sources: the Community Empowerment Fund, the Green Spaces, Parks and Play Parks and Villages Investment Fund, the Community Climate Fund and from Local Partnerships.
 - 4.8 The Council will continue to support local Allotment and Growing Ground Associations in the delivery of growing opportunities through the Renfrewshire Growing Grounds Forum and annual updates will be reported to the Board as appropriate, in accordance with statutory requirements.
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Implications of the Report

1. **Financial** – None.
2. **HR & Organisational Development** – None.
3. **Community Planning** –

Creating a sustainable Renfrewshire for all to enjoy – The Annual Allotments Report 2022 sets out how the Council is progressing statutory duties in relation to allotments, supporting opportunities for local food growing, developing our outdoor spaces and contributing to healthier lifestyles.

4. **Legal** – None.
5. **Property/Assets** – None.
6. **Information Technology** – None.
7. **Equality & Human Rights** -

- (a) The Recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report. If required following implementation, the actual impact of the recommendations and the mitigating actions will be reviewed and monitored, and the results of the assessment will be published on the Council's website.

8. **Health & Safety** – None.
 9. **Procurement** – None.
 10. **Risk** – None.
 11. **Privacy Impact** – None.
 12. **Cosla Policy Position** – None.
 13. **Climate Risk** - Community food growing contributes positively to Renfrewshire Council's Plan for Net Zero, particularly through lower levels of CO₂ emissions because of reduced "food miles".
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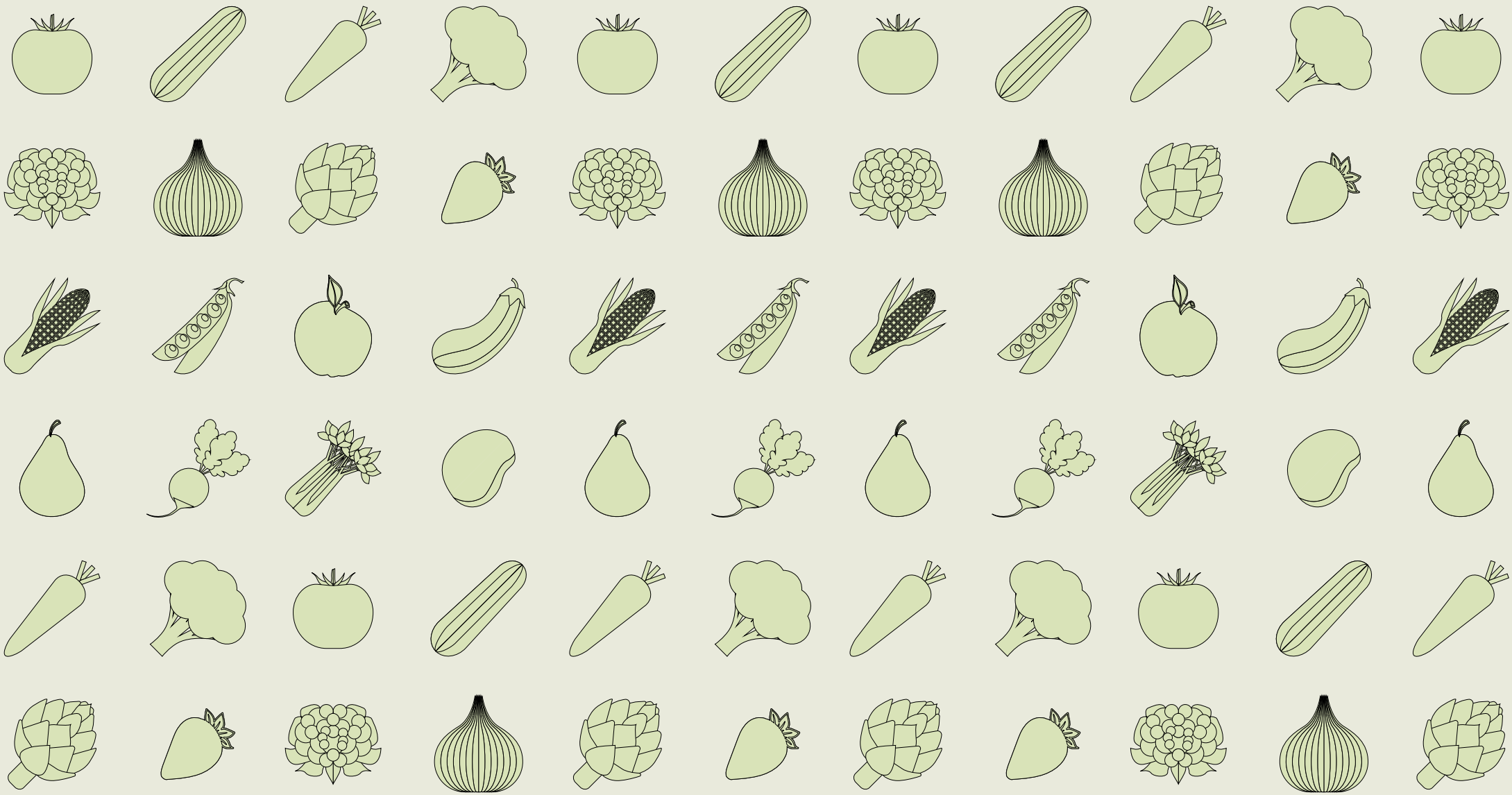
Appendices

1. Renfrewshire Annual Allotments Report 2022

List of Background Papers

- (a) Housing, Community and Planning Board 20 January 2020 - Renfrewshire Food Growing Strategy 2020-25
 - (b) Infrastructure, Land and Environment Board 25 March 2022 – Allotments Annual Report 2021
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Allotments Annual Report 2022



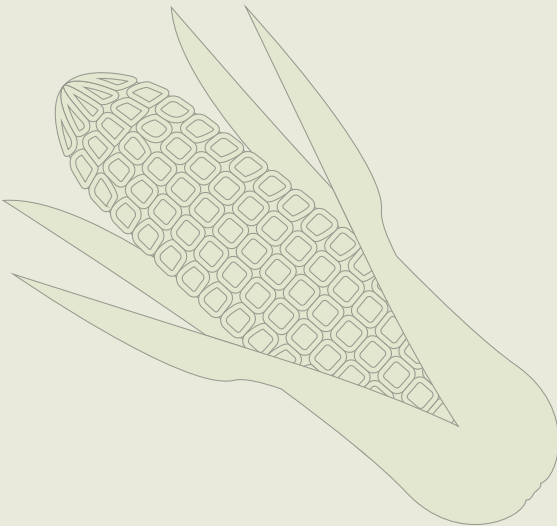
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Introduction

Part 9 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, covering provisions relating to allotments, came into force on 1 April 2018. The Act encourages Local Authorities to support the development of allotments and community growing spaces, recognising their contribution to health and well-being, environmental sustainability, and community empowerment.

The Council has a statutory duty to provide allotments under the provisions of the Act and a number of associated duties which have required the introduction of new procedures to ensure compliance with the legislation. This includes a requirement for the Council to prepare and publish an annual allotments report for Renfrewshire.



Provision of Allotments in Renfrewshire

The Act defines an **allotment** as land owned or leased by the local authority and used, at least mainly, for growing vegetables, fruit, herbs or flowers, but without a view to making a profit. An **allotment site** is land consisting wholly or partly of allotments and includes other land, which is owned or leased by the local authority, which may be used in connection with the use of the allotments.

The Act allows allotments to be 250 m² in size, but also allows the flexibility to provide varied plot sizes to reflect local demand.

Renfrewshire Council has six Allotment / Growing Ground Associations who lease and occupy Council land, as summarised below:

Allotment Site	Association
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Broadloan Gardens, Renfrew	Renfrew Association of Growers & Gardeners
Erskine Community Allotments, Erskine	Erskine Community Allotments Association

The Chief Executive's Service are the main point of contact for all six sites through the Economy & Development Team, but Renfrewshire Council does not directly manage any of the allotment sites. All aspects of the management, allocation and maintenance of the allotments are the responsibility of the respective Allotment Associations and their tenants.

The Associations are responsible for the day-to-day management of the sites, such as managing the tenancies, accounts, and creating and governing their rules and regulations. They also set the plot rents, which must be "fair" taking account of site variables such as the services provided and the cost of providing these services. The current rent payable for plots in Renfrewshire ranges from £10 - £30 per annum, depending upon the plot size.

At present, the sites have a combined total of 351 individual allotments or allotment plots, and the Council is aware of an aggregate total of 123 people awaiting allocation of an allotment, or allotment plot. This is a slight increase from the previous annual report total of 120 and remains below the statutory 50% ratio between waiting lists and plot numbers across Renfrewshire, the threshold which would require the Council to consider a new Allotment provision.

The legislation requires the Council to keep a waiting list and take reasonable steps to identify new allotment sites if demand increases and waiting lists become longer. Most of the existing sites are fully occupied with waiting lists and, as a result, the Council is currently working with local Associations and other community groups to promote and improve the provision of growing grounds in Renfrewshire to meet local demand. This includes the subdivision of plots and provision of raised beds, plus other measures to widen pathways and improve the accessibility to gardening opportunities for disabled people.

The Renfrewshire Food Growing Strategy 2020-25

The Council's Communities, Housing and Planning Policy Board approved the Renfrewshire Food Growing Strategy 2020-25 on 20 January 2020. The Strategy provides a framework to assist in increasing the quantity and quality of growing opportunities in Renfrewshire, as well as setting out how the Council will deliver its statutory duties for allotments and growing grounds over the five-year period.

The strategy recognises the various local and national drivers that seek to improve the quality and quantity of growing grounds and sets out how these outcomes would be delivered in partnership with relevant stakeholders.

Reflecting this partnership approach the document lists a total of 27 community growing spaces in Renfrewshire, many of which have been developed as a result of collaborative working with community groups, the Council and Renfrewshire Health and Social Care Partnership, who jointly manage the Renfrewshire Growing Grounds Forum.

The strategy can be viewed on the Council's website at the following address:-

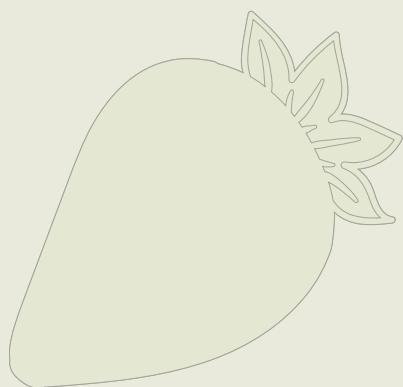
<https://www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/article/10464/Community-Growing>



Annual Reporting Measures

Part 9, Section 121 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 sets out the following specific measures that are to be included in the Allotments Annual report:

The annual measures for 2022 are summarised in table 3 on page 11.



Item	Requirement
A	The location and size of each allotment site.
B	The number of allotments on each allotment site.
C	Where the whole of an allotment site is leased from the authority by one person, the proportion of land on the allotment site (excluding any other land owned or leased by the authority that may be used by tenants of allotments in connection with their use of allotments) that is not subleased from the tenant of the allotment site.
D	Where allotments on an allotment site are leased from the authority by more than one person, the proportion of land on the allotment site (excluding any other land owned or leased by the authority that may be used by tenants of allotments in connection with their use of allotments) that is not leased from the authority.
E	Where an allotment site is leased by the local authority (i) the period of the lease of each allotment site, and (ii) the rent payable under the lease by the authority.
F	The period of any lease between the authority and the tenant of an allotment site.
G	The rent payable under any lease between the authority and the tenant of an allotment site.
H	The rent payable for each allotment in the area of the authority.
I	How, in the opinion of the authority, such rents are decided by reference to the method of determining fair rent provided for in the regulations provided.
J	The number of persons entered in the waiting list on the final day of the reporting year to which the report relates.
K	The number of persons mentioned in paragraph (j) who, on the final day of the reporting year to which the report relates, have been entered in the list for a continuous period of more than 5 years.
L	The steps taken by the authority to comply with the duty to provide allotments.
M	Reasons for any failure to comply with that duty.
N	The number of allotments on each allotment site that are accessible by a disabled person.
O	The number of allotments on each allotment site adjusted by the authority during the reporting year to meet the needs of a tenant who is a disabled person.
P	The number of persons entered in the waiting list whose request included information about their needs on disability grounds re access, and possible adjustments, to an allotment site or allotment..
Q	The income received, and expenditure incurred, by the authority in connection with allotment sites; and
R	such other information as may be prescribed.

Table 2: Annual Reporting Measures



Community Growing – Emerging from the Covid-19 Pandemic

While most health restrictions associated with Covid-19 had been withdrawn or relaxed by 2022, local community food growing groups and allotment associations have slowly emerged from the pandemic into a period of consolidation, with long term effects still unclear.

Funding and awareness raising open days restarted and proved to be very popular, but the significant increases in waiting lists during 2020 and 2021 slowed and the numbers of those actively involved in running of allotment and community growing spaces reduced as other leisure activities opened.

The sharp rise in demand and the cost of materials such as timber and topsoil has also led to some planned site improvements and management works being delayed.



Renfrewshire Growing Grounds Forum – 2022 Activities

The Council has continued to provide support and guidance to local groups and allotment associations through the Renfrewshire Growing Grounds Forum. One online meeting and one site meeting of the Forum were held in 2022 and enabled the sharing of information, provision of advice on statutory guidance and assistance to local growing organisations.

These efforts supported the following outcomes:-

- Development of proposals to create new growing provision in Ferguslie Park, Paisley in partnership with a local community group, with funding secured and delivery anticipated in 2023;
- Discussions with local groups to consider the development of proposals for new growing provision at Erskine, Renfrew, Paisley and Johnstone, with the potential for further work based around community support;
- Renfrew Association of Growers and Gardeners (RAGG) reinstated its programme of family events at its Broadloan Gardens site, partly to recruit new members but also as part of its ongoing community outreach function.
- Paisley Florist Society Gardening Club participated at the Paisley Food and Drink Festival, focusing on edible flowers, growing in small spaces and container gardening. The Club was also able to resume its programme of indoor evening meetings and to hold its Annual Show at Paisley Cathedral.
- Participating Renfrewshire Growing Grounds Forum groups took the opportunity for informal peer-to-peer education by attending an outdoor meeting at Broadholm Gardens in April.
- Efforts continued to identify and secure new occupants for unused community garden sites at Glenburn (Paisley) and Linwood.



Funding for Community Projects

Although the Council does not manage allotment sites and allotment plots directly, it does offer sources of funding for independent groups to develop, build and run their own provision. These include:-

- A Community Empowerment Fund (CEF) of £1.5 million which aims to support and develop community organisations with a specific focus on assisting those organisations that wish to acquire and develop a community asset.
- A Green Spaces, Parks and Play Areas and Villages Investment Fund of £1.87 million to develop, improve and use their local green spaces - including allotments, growing grounds and community garden projects.
- Supporting delivery of the Council's Plan for Net Zero, a Community Climate Action Fund of £50,000 provided small scale grants to community organisations to develop local green projects. Half of the successful projects included strong elements of community growing.
- Local Partnerships can also provide funding where the community representatives have identified green space improvements as a local priority.

After a two-year hiatus during the Covid-19 Pandemic, in 2022 these sources attracted the interest of allotment associations and community gardening groups as they started to rebuild their activities. In total £161,942 was awarded to community initiatives from these four funding strands and these are summarised in appendix 1.



Summary of Key Issues in 2022



The total area of the six allotment sites owned by the Council and leased to Allotment / Growing Ground Associations extends to 3.3 Ha, or thereby.



The Council is below the statutory 50% ratio between waiting lists and plot numbers across Renfrewshire, which would require the Council to consider a new Allotment provision.



There are 351 allotment plots (including raised beds). In 2022 the number of plots remained the same as in the previous year.



Plot rents are fair and vary from £10 per annum for a small plot, to £30 per annum for a large plot. The rents are decided by the local Allotment Association.



The standard plot size of 250 m² (as defined in legislation) does not represent the nature of local demand for growing spaces in Renfrewshire



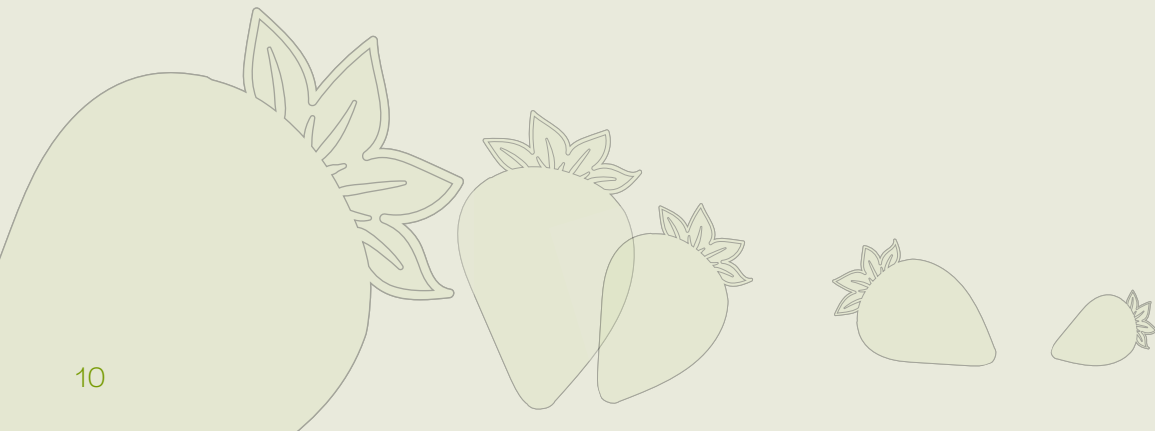
The Renfrewshire Food Growing Strategy 2020-25 references a total of 27 community growing spaces in Renfrewshire and sets out how the Council aims to improve the quality and quantity of growing grounds in partnership with relevant stakeholders.



There were 123 people on the combined waiting list at the end of 2022, a marginal increase from 2021's figure of 120. No individual or group had been on the waiting list for five years or longer.



Financial support remained available to community groups and allotment associations to develop and improve growing grounds in Renfrewshire through the Community Empowerment Fund, Green Spaces, Parks and Play Parks and Villages Investment Fund, Climate Action Fund and in some cases, Local Area Partnerships which have identified open space enhancements as a local priority for support.



Appendix 1 - Table 3: Renfrewshire Council Allotments Annual Report 2021 - Summary

Item	Information required	Allotment Sites					
		Brediland Allotments	Broadloan Gardens	Erskine Community Allotments	Grow in Glenburn	Sanctuary Garden	West End Allotments
A i	Site location	Cardell Drive, Paisley	Broadloan, Renfrew	Barwood Road, Erskine	Glen Park, Glenfield Rd, Paisley	Underwood Rd, Paisley	Douglas Street Paisley
A ii	Site size	0.9 ha	0.4 ha	0.9 ha	0.4 ha	0.3 ha	0.4 ha
B	Number of plots	63 (plus 8 outside boxes not included in total)	65	44	44 (comprising 23 plots at 5x5m, 5 plots at 2x2m and 16 raised beds)	112 (plus 4 polytunnel beds not included in the total)	23
C	Percentage of the site not subleased	17% (doocots)	0%	0%	21% (habitat)	18% (car park)	6% (tyre store)
D	No. of Plots let directly to growers(Nil)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
E	Sites leased by the Council (Nil)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
F	Lease period to association	Annual	20 years	Not in place. Group applying for Community Asset Transfer	10 years	11 months, then Annual	Annual
G	Rent payable to Renfrewshire Council (RC)	£1 if asked	£1 if asked	£1 if asked	£1 if asked	£1 if asked	£1 if asked

Table 3: Renfrewshire Council Allotments Annual Report 2021 - Summary Continued

Item	Information required	Allotment Sites					
		Brediland Allotments	Broadloan Gardens	Erskine Community Allotments	Grow in Glenburn	Sanctuary Garden	West End Allotments
H	Plot rents (£)	Large: £25 Med: £20 Small: £15	Large: £30 Small: £25 "Starter": £12.50 Community groups: £0 (5 groups had plots)	£20 full plot; £10 half plot	£25 per plot £12.50 per raised bed	£30 for double raised bed plot. Group rate £34 for double raised bed. (Polytunnel beds £15)	Large: £20 Small: £10
I	How rents are decided	Assoc. AGM	Assoc. AGM	Assoc. AGM	Assoc. AGM	Assoc. AGM	Assoc. AGM
J	Waiting list numbers RC list: 29 Total: 120 (as at 07.10.21).	18	4	60	2	2	2
K	No. of people on waiting list for 5 or more years	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
L	Steps taken by Council to reduce waiting lists	Nil	Nil	Expansion area being discussed.	Nil	Nil	Nil
M	Reasons for failure to comply with (I) above.	Limited opportunities to expand at site	Limited opportunities to expand at site	Design and statutory consents	Limited opportunities to expand at site	Limited opportunities to expand at site	Limited opportunities to expand at site
N	No. plots accessible to a disabled person	N/A. (4 members class themselves as disabled)	N/A. (3 members identify themselves as disabled)	N/A. (2 disabled groups with a plot each)	N/A. (6 new raised beds constructed in 2021 to replace existing decaying beds)	N/A. (currently 2 disabled members)	N/A

Table 3: Renfrewshire Council Allotments Annual Report 2021 - Summary Continued

Item	Information required	Allotment Sites					
		Brediland Allotments	Broadloan Gardens	Erskine Community Allotments	Grow in Glenburn	Sanctuary Garden	West End Allotments
O	No. plots adjusted by RC to meet needs of disabled persons	No new initiatives	No new initiatives	No new initiatives	No new initiatives	Nil but WEGGA installed a toilet suitable for disabled people in 2021	No new initiatives
P	No. people applying for adapted plot or for adjustment to existing	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Q	i) Income received: ii) Expenditure incurred (by the Council).	£1	£1	£1	£1	£1	£1
		£Nil	£Nil	£Nil	£Nil	£Nil	£Nil
R	AOB prescribed by Scot Government	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

APPENDIX 2 - Renfrewshire Council Grant Awards 2022

Allotment Associations and Growing Ground Associations

Renfrewshire Council made funding awards of £161,942 to community projects involving significant elements of community food growing during 2022 from four main sources, as summarised below.

1 Community Empowerment Fund

Two applications in 2022 reached the stage at which groups sought approval for “development” grant support from the Communities and Housing Board.

Award	Receiving Organisation	Date	Purpose
£9,200	Lochwinnoch Community Development Trust	25th October 2022	Soil testing on the proposed Lochhead Community Garden site.
£7,720	Inchinnan Community Development Trust	25th October 2022	Support with legal fees relating to the CAT lease for India Tyres Playing Fields.

2 Green Spaces, Parks and Play Parks and Villages Investment Fund

This fund was drawing to a close during 2022, as the budget originally allocated in 2018 was almost fully committed. Awards of over £5,000 were approved via the Communities, Housing & Planning Policy Board, with the Director of Communities & Housing Services having delegated authority to approve smaller grants up to £5,000.

Fourteen applicants received grant awards to support community growing initiatives, as set out below.

Award	Receiving Organisation	Date	Purpose
£25,000	Lochwinnoch Community Development Trust	15th March 2022	Development of a community garden providing produce for the Community Larder, etc. within the Lochwinnoch Social Garden on previously vacant ground off Lochhead Avenue.
£4,973.10	Pachedu partnered with RAMH	7th June 2022	PACHEDU is a charity working with diverse minority ethnic groups, refugees, and asylum seekers. They have an interest in growing foods that are appropriate to their own cultures. They seek to teach and feed their community, as well as reconnect with nature and learn new skills.
£4,800	Bee Happy Houston	25th October 2022 (reported delegated decision)	Environmental enhancements across Houston, Craigends and Crosslee – to restock existing planters with appropriate winter shrubs and improve bedding with flowers, shrubbery and trees in open areas of the village.
£2,000	Cross Road Community Planting programme	25th October 2022 (reported delegated decision)	Procuring tools, PPE and bedding plants for newly constituted community group which had been focusing efforts in Maxwellton Sensory Gardens before tackling wider neighbourhood projects.
£600	West End Growing Grounds Association (WEGGA)	25th October 2022 (reported delegated decision)	New batteries for lawnmower and power tools, previously purchased with Greenspace Fund support.
£1,945	Brediland Allotments Association	Delegated authority	Entrance upgrade - repairs and improvements to entrance of allotment.
£4,999	Corseford Container, Tools and Planters	Delegated authority	Tool bank enabling community to maintain newly procured planters and vegetation.

2 Green Spaces, Parks and Play Parks and Villages Investment Fund Continued

Award	Receiving Organisation	Date	Purpose
£4,820	Ferguslie Community Garden	Delegated authority	New Community Garden.
£5,000	Pachedu	Delegated authority	Community Garden in RAMH.
£2,609	West End Growing Grounds (WEGGA)	Delegated authority	Maintenance Equipment: lawnmower/trimmer/tools to keep wider Sanctuary Gardens area neat and appealing.
£4,800	West End Growing Grounds (WEGGA)	Delegated authority	User Tools: provision of hand tools for community use.
£4,950	Bonnie Bishopton	Delegated authority	Planters throughout village maintained by community.
£800	Elderslie Community Council	Delegated authority	Village planting – beds and planters.
£4,050	Houston Community Council	Delegated authority	Creation of Community Meadow and planters.
£4,999	Howwood Woodlands and Wildlife	Delegated authority	Planters and improvements to green spaces.
£4,950	Inchinnan Planters (Brighter Inchinnan)	Delegated authority	Community Planters in village maintained locally.
£4,999	KIPcO Old Library Garden	Delegated authority	Community Garden created.
£1,950	Lochwinnoch Sustainable Community Garden	Delegated authority	Equipment to fund ongoing improvements.
£5,000	Lochwinnoch Community Development Trust	Delegated authority	Seed Funding - Social Garden Plans for large scale Community Social Garden.

3. Local Partnerships

In some cases, Local Partnerships have identified open space enhancements as a local priority for support, meaning that they are able to offer grants towards local community projects in the growing sector. Successful applications to Local Partnerships in 2022 were as follows:

Award	Receiving Organisation	Date	Purpose
£8,750 from the Renfrew Local Partnership	Patterson Park Allotments	15th June 2022	Security enhancement and fence replacement.
£3,100 from the Renfrew Local Partnership	Kirklandneuk Parent Council	15th June 2022	'Mon the weans, 'Mon the bees, 'Mon the Community – includes creating community growing area within the school grounds.
£3,100 from the Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank Local Partnership	Inchinnan Community Council	16th June 2022	Inchinnan Village Planting Club planters and containers throughout the village.
£2,000 from Paisley North, West & Central Local Partnership	Renfrewshire Environmental Trust	21st June 2022	Spuds for Buddies (Phase 5).

In addition, Lochwinnoch Community Garden was awarded £2,200 from the Station Rise Developer Fund for raised beds and associated materials at the 14th June 2022 meeting of the Planning & Climate Change Policy Board.



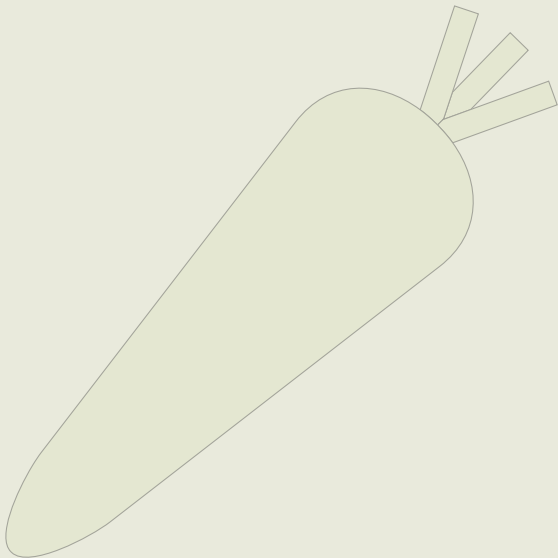
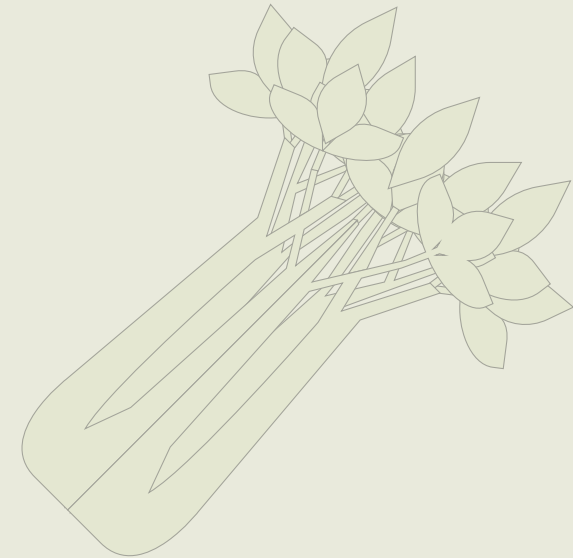
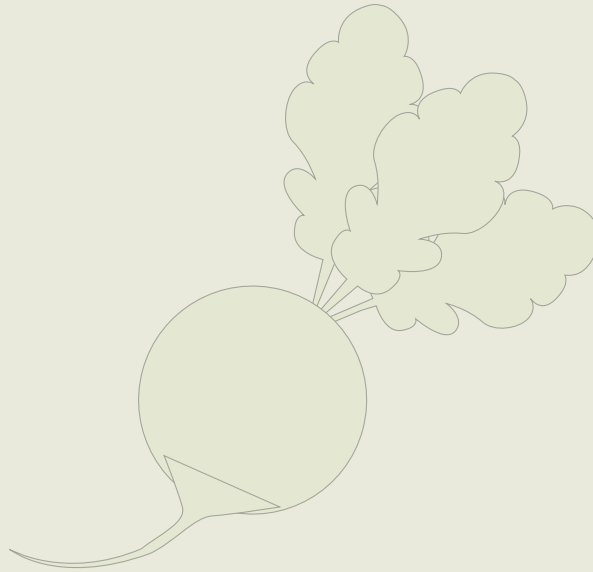
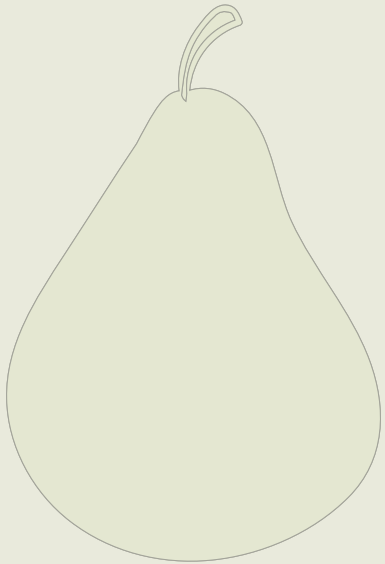
4. Community Climate Fund

Half (13) of the 26 awards made from the Community Climate Fund involved projects with significant elements of community food growing, as summarised below:

Award	Receiving Organisation	Date	Purpose
£1,000.00	Lochwinnoch Sustainable Community Garden	14th June 2022 report to Planning & Climate Change Policy Board	Rewilding Lochwinnoch: to improve biodiversity in the local area while creating an opportunity for community participation and outdoor education.
£3,000.00	24th Paisley Boys Brigade	14th June 2022 report to Planning & Climate Change Policy Board	24th Paisley BB Climate Challenge 2022: to reduce carbon footprint by reducing energy consumption through improved energy efficiency measures; learning to grow food for people and wildlife through turning over church lawns to wildflower meadow and edible garden to benefit nature, biodiversity and teach about local food growing.
£3,000.00	Kirklandneuk Primary School Parent Council	14th June 2022 report to Planning & Climate Change Policy Board	'Mon the Weans, 'Mon the Bees, 'Mon the Community!: to provide an outdoor space that allows pupils to express their feelings, learn, role play and channel their creative skills and provide the school and local community the opportunity to be involved in food growing and preparation (including food hygiene training) and opportunities to learn about creating a biodiversity area within the school grounds.
£3,000.00	Langbank Parent Partnership	14th June 2022 report to Planning & Climate Change Policy Board	LPS Community Garden - All the flowers of tomorrow are the seeds of today: to establish the garden as an extension to the outdoor classroom, where staff and pupils will learn about the environment, conservation, gardening, science and experience the natural world.
£2,855.00	The Good Shepherd Centre (GSC)	14th June 2022 report to Planning & Climate Change Policy Board	GSC Community Garden enhancements. The project will develop a 'food to fork' approach utilising GSC's garden to support GSC Young People's Climate Change Agenda. Working in partnership with Duke of Edinburgh Award, GSC School & Wellbeing Teams will add value by contributing horticultural skills and curriculum development to support young people's ambitions to drive to net zero.
£3,000.00	Local Energy Action Plan	14th June 2022 report to Planning & Climate Change Policy Board	Diggin' It Together: a food growing initiative supporting people in our area to grow their own food from their own homes, and in community spaces.

4. Community Climate Fund Continued

Award	Receiving Organisation	Date	Purpose
£2,220.00	Renfrewshire Rainbow Buddies	14th June 2022 report to Planning & Climate Change Policy Board	Renfrewshire Rainbow Buddies Little and Large Explorers: to enhance Johnstone Castle Community Centre garden along with exploring our local forestry area.
£2,000.00	Ferguslie Cricket Club	14th June 2022 report to Planning & Climate Change Policy Board	Climate Change Projects: to help sustainability and climate change through two key areas: 1. installation of LED lighting throughout our premises which will help reduce energy consumption and make the building more energy efficient 2. creation of a small garden area within our grounds for growing a variety of plants which will enhance and support biodiversity, insects and bees.
£2,871.00	Ferguslie Community Development Trust	14th June 2022 report to Planning & Climate Change Policy Board	F.C.D.T Sunshine On Ferguslie (Schools Project): environmental improvements to front gardens to help encourage interest and raise awareness in the local environment, coupled with opportunities to learn new gardening skills and access to new plants. The project will facilitate sessions to allow local people to get involved in the construction of garden planters and birdboxes, create community gardening clubs, raise awareness of the benefits of gardening and being outdoors and raise awareness of climate change through education.
£2,897.22	Williamsburgh Parent Council	14th June 2022 report to Planning & Climate Change Policy Board	Getting Williamsburgh Growing!: to support children of all ages to learn about growing our own food. As well as the obvious benefits from getting outside – planting and seeing the seeds grow and harvesting the fruits and vegetables – partnership working with appropriate organisations will support teachers by providing local food growing advice building capacity for both teachers and pupils. This project will lead to improvements not only for physical health and wellbeing through increased activity, but also for mental health.
£3,000.00	Bonnie Bishopton	14th June 2022 report to Planning & Climate Change Policy Board	Community Gardens at Community Centre: to regenerate neglected land creating two distinct themed community gardens using plants small trees and shrubs which will provide food, water and shelter for bees and butterflies all year round.
£3,000.00	Finding Your Feet (FYF)	14th June 2022 report to Planning & Climate Change Policy Board	FYF Charity Hub Garden: to reclaim an area of disused land and turn it into a garden and play area for all charities in the hub to use.
£2,985.60	Sculpture House Collective (CIC)	£3,000.00	Sculpture House Community Dye Garden: to explore the opportunities for developing a community Dye Garden on the grounds of the Sculpture House Collective expanding to satellite locations across the Ferguslie Park area. The greenspaces will be used to grow plants and trees that can be used for dyeing and printing textiles.



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