

Zarina Belk

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Subject: Nettleham Allotments meeting
Attachments: proposed development plan.jpg

Hello all,

Firstly - thank you Laura for sorting out our initial meet-up, they did come and find us in the end.

A good a productive meeting. The allotment area at the moment is overgrown with the weeds taking over due to delays with the handover to the council, however you can see the potential. There is a driveway in to the site and a gravel area for parking, the allotment site has fencing around it. In the centre is a brick built building that will be the community shed/storage area - they have 4 water-butts to capture rain from the roof. To the right is a concrete area that will be used for dropping off compost or manure. There are gravel pathways between what will be the allotments and various water stands around the site. Size wise the area is approximately half an acre and will hold about 25 allotments of various sizes - some standard, some half size. Due to the community shed, there will be no individual sheds on the allotments.

Truelove builders were keen to give back to the area which is why they gave the field for allotments, they are also constructing a pathway around the outside to link the village to the pond area. The site looks to be well thought out, south facing with nothing to cast shade - an ideal space for allotments.

With regards to what they may be able to offer within Saxilby. They have the field opposite the existing proposed housing site along Sykes lane (see map). Along with the housing (various sizes), they are proposing an area of approximately half an acre to be set aside for allotments (green area). Also, the yellow area is down as proposed dog walking, but they were amenable to doing an enclosed dog park if that was something the village wanted. The community building (purple area), has the potential for either a scouts hut (if they wanted to expand), or something like a community workshop/men's shed, which is something that has been discussed at the Events meeting.

The Truelove representatives we met, are keen to hear our initial thoughts on what they could offer, and if favourable, they would be happy to meet with the Council to discuss in more detail. I have said we will take the proposals to our Planning Meeting and see what the consensus is. We will then feedback to them.

If this could be added to the upcoming Planning Meeting please. I have attached a plan of the proposed site, though I do have a couple of large paper copies too that I will bring to the meeting. May I suggest with a recommendation to go back to the builders for further discussion around the proposed allotments, enclosed dog park and community building. Naturally, the housing will also be a matter for discussion too.

It would also be good to meet with the Nettleham Council lead for the allotments to go over how they are setting it up - prices, size of allotments, water rates, rules etc. Is this something that could be arranged please?

Many thanks for setting up this meeting, it was very informative.

Kind regards,

Cllr. Saunders

Saxilby with Ingleby Parish Council