

ALLOTMENT BEEHIVE APPLICATION FORM

This form must be completed by any allotment tenant wishing to keep a Bees on an allotment plot. Permission must be granted by the Council before they are brought onto site.

Approval to keep Bees on an allotment plot will be granted for a period of **two years only**. Tenants wishing to continue keeping Bees after this period must submit a new Allotment Beehive Application Form for review and approval three months prior to the expiry of the existing permission.

The Council reserves the right to refuse renewal or amend conditions where necessary.

Beehives may be permitted on allotment plots where strict conditions are satisfied.

Applicants must:

- Demonstrate suitable qualifications, recognised training or sufficient practical experience in beekeeping.
- Be a current member of a recognised beekeeping association, such as the British Beekeepers Association or an equivalent recognised body.
- Ensure that all hives are registered with the National Bee Unit where required.
- Hold valid public liability insurance with a minimum indemnity of £10 million in respect of beekeeping activities.
- Beehives must be securely contained within the tenant's plot.
- Provide the Council with a copy of the insurance certificate prior to placing any hives on site and upon each annual renewal.
- Bee's must not be kept for commercial purposes.
- Maintain continuous insurance cover for the entire period during which hives are kept on the allotment.

Completion of this form **does not** guarantee approval.

Allotment Site Name: _____

Plot Number(s): _____

Allotment Customer Number: _____

1. Beekeeper Details

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

2. Beekeeping Experience

Please indicate your level of experience:

Beginner (0–2 years)

Intermediate (2–5 years)

Experienced (5+ years)

Are you a member of a recognised beekeeping association?

Yes

No

If yes, please state which association: _____

Please state your registration number: _____

3. Hive Information

Number of Hives on Plot: _____

Type of Hive(s):

National

WBC

Langstroth

Top Bar

Other (please specify): _____

Location of Hive(s) on Plot:

(Please describe or attach a simple sketch if possible)

4. Hive Management

Do you agree to maintain bees in accordance with recognised good practice?

Yes No

Do you agree to regularly inspect hives to minimise swarming?

Yes No

Do you agree to manage bees responsibly to prevent nuisance to neighbouring plot holders?

Yes No

5. Insurance

Are you covered by Public Liability Insurance for beekeeping?

Yes

No

If yes, please provide details:

Provider: _____

Policy Number: _____

6. Emergency Contact

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Telephone Number: _____

7. Council Inspection

The tenant acknowledges that authorised Council officers may inspect the plot Bee's housing and conditions at any time.

Failure to comply with allotment rules may result in:

Withdrawal of permission to keep Bees

Requirement to remove Bees from the allotment

Termination of the tenancy agreement

8. Declaration

I confirm that the information provided is accurate and that I will manage my bees responsibly in accordance with allotment site rules and recognised beekeeping practices. Will report all cases of swarming.

I understand that permission to keep bees may be withdrawn if they become a nuisance or are not properly managed.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Application Received: _____

Approved By: _____

Approval Date: _____

Notes: