**To Societies Chairs & Secretaries**

**Annual Plot and Site Competition – July 2021**

With still an air of uncertainty around Covid restrictions, we will again be running a photographic plot competition this year and we will again be dropping the site competition. We learned a lot from last year’s very successful first attempt and a few things have now changed.

As with last year, we will need your help.  We’re hoping you will nominate a committee member to take the photos for us and send them through for our judging.  The same judges as last year will be participating.

It hasn’t been the best spring weather to get things going on the plots, but hopefully, by July, there will be some stunning plots to be entered.

The general idea this year is:

* for you to circulate an invitation to take part (**maximum of 6 entries per society this time**)
* again, 3 photos to be taken of each plot (only one plot if a member has more), but more emphasis to be made on capturing the overall look of the plot from different angles, particularly showing good, neat and tidy layout and an abundance of vegetables, fruit and flowers.
* To assist with this, a checklist is available for the person taking the photos to enter a score for evidence of water harvesting and composting.
* Each group of 3 photos should be labelled to show:
- the Society name
- the member’s name, and
- the name of person who took the photos. Each group of 3 photos shouldn’t exceed 10mb in total size otherwise they may become difficult to send through.
* They should be emailed to

competitions@barnetallotments.org.uk

* The closing date for entries will be Friday 31 July and we recommend the photos are taken over the weekend of 24/25 July.

A poster is available for your notice board/newsletter etc to circulate to your plotholders.

I do hope you will take part this year and I look forward to seeing the entries.

With all good wishes – stay safe

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Competitions Secretary