

Launton Plotters APM report 2026

A volunteer committee manage the allotments and meet every 3 months. The committee amongst other duties, inspect the plots, mow the communal areas, look after the equipment, look for funding opportunities, ensure water is available and keep the car park and access road tidy.

We have 48 Plotters working 75 plots, some of them merged into double plots, some small starter plots. 1 plot is empty at the moment. There are 2 on our waiting list from outlying villages.

We have added a new communal shed to hold our equipment and are grateful for grants from the Doris Field Charitable Trust, Launton Parish Council and the family of Roger Honey in 2025. This along with a payment from EWR enabled us to obtain a suitably secure shed. We have also planted another wildlife hedgerow using a free tree pack granted from the Woodland Trust. Plotters working parties are held a couple of times a year to help the committee with those type of tasks.

Unfortunately in March we had a spate of thefts from plotters sheds, the thieves stole many small hand tool and larger tools, as well as a few power tools, causing much damage to many sheds. After consultation with the TVP Neighbourhood Team they supplied large amount of DNA marking kits for us to hand out to the Plotters. A community warden will also attend our AGM in May to talk to us about allotment security.

The AGM will be held on Thursday 21st May at 7.30pm at the allotment with bring and share seasonal refreshments.

Thank you.

Jackie Hackett Chair Launton Plotters