**Seaford Allotments**

GUIDELINES FOR THE LIGHTING OF BONFIRES ON SEAFORD ALLOTMENT SITE

1. Bonfires may be lit from 1st November to 28th February, but not before 8am and must be extinguished by 4pm, subject to weather conditions and wind conditions.

2. The Bonfire Monitor (Dee Kellaway) MUST BE NOTIFIED, via email ([sec.seaford.allot@gmail.com](mailto:sec.seaford.allot@gmail.com)) , 48hrs in advance, of any plot holder’s intention to light a bonfire, stating their name, plot number, giving the date and time.

3. The bonfire must be lit in a cleared area with no overhanging branches and a safe distance from all buildings, equipment, fences, vehicles and at least 10 metres from any property located outside the allotment boundary.

4. The bonfire must be attended at all times by a responsible adult and lit without the use of any accelerant and well away from any highly flammable liquids or gas cylinders or fuel cans.

5. The bonfire must be lit within the plotholder’s allotment and there must be a bucket nearby with sufficient water to extinguish it.

6. Only dry woody material or dry diseased vegetation should be burned if there is no alternative method of disposal. Green matter should not be burned.

7. The burning of any artificial, artificially treated or polluting materials (e.g., plastics, tyres, carpet, MDF etc.) is strictly prohibited.   
  
8. It is only permitted to burn material from the allotment site. Plot holders MUST NOT bring material from outside the site for burning.

9. Please check the burn pile for wildlife before burning.

10. The bonfire must be fully extinguished with water when finished. Sand or dirt must NOT be used.

11. Smoke from a bonfire which could be a nuisance to neighbours could result in action under the *Environment Protection Act* of 1990. Persistent offenders may have their tenancy terminated.

12. All instances of bonfires on the allotment site will be logged by the Committee to answer any complaints which may be received, either directly from the neighbouring community or via the Town or District Council.

Seaford Allotments Committee June 2022