



# Brighton & Hove Allotment Federation

The Food Growing Community



**The Federation promotes the provision, development and protection of allotments, and represents the interests of plot holders in Brighton and Hove.**

**We are run by plot holders for plot holders.**

As most of our members are probably aware, there have been some big changes for the Brighton and Hove Allotment Federation in the last year. At the 2012 AGM, which was attended by about 200 people, there was a motion voted through which demanded that the federation was more representative of plot holders interests. This came about, in part, due to the Council's attempt to raise the rents by almost 70%. A steering group was selected to engage with the BHAF membership and, off the back of that consultation process, re-draft the federation's objectives. The new objectives were voted through at a subsequent Special General Meeting of the federation. You can see the new objectives on our website. Our job is to make the federation as representative as possible, for those who want to be represented and to be transparent, open and participatory - whilst at the same time bearing in mind that many plot holders are not interested in the politics of it all and just want to get on with growing vegetables.

The federation has been asked by the Council to enter into a series of meetings which aims to produce an 'allotment strategy' for the city for the next 5 years. These meetings have already started and we will be feeding back via the website. We are asking for the input of our members on many current issues like plot size and plot cost, the length of the waiting list, how to encourage and measure bio-diversity on allotments, forming more allotment site associations and the issues around the possibility of self management, or partial self management of our sites.

We have a new logo and website design which we hope you will like. We are a voluntary organisation and we encourage all interested plot holders to get involved.



**If you are a plot holder in Brighton,  
then you are already a member of  
The Federation**

**So please get involved !**

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**2013 AGM  
NEW VENUE  
Tuesday  
19th March 7pm  
Brighelm Centre  
North Road**