

WALBERSWICK PARISH COUNCIL

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Proposal by an allotment holder to keep three weaners (piglets) on the allotments

The Parish Council has received a request by an allotment holder to keep three weaners at the far end of the allotments, in a position that I believe pigs used to be kept some years ago and which has been under used for some time. The applicant is being advised by Suffolk Acre, who made an address to the Parish Council recently on the subject of local foods and by Defra. He is undertaking training and obtaining the requisite licence and pig movement documentation.

It is planned that the weaners would arrive in late September/early October and to stay for six months. They would be slaughtered approximately at the end of March and used for the applicant's own consumption. If the venture is successful the applicant would probably wish to repeat the process in the following year.

I understand that the area in which they would be housed has been marked out so that it can be viewed.

The allotment tenancy agreement permits only rabbits and hens to be kept without the Parish Council's permission. The Parish Council has therefore asked me to consult with all allotment holders individually and the general public by notices about the proposal.

If you have any comments or views you wish the Council to know about before determining whether to give permission for the proposal, please write to me or email me at the addresses set out above. I need to have your comments by Friday 31 August so that they can be taken into account at the meeting on Monday 3 September. If you wish to receive further information please telephone me on the number set out above, if I am unable to take your call, please leave a message and I will return to you.

Jane Gomm
Clerk to Walberswick Parish Council