

**Proposed Plan in respect of the Hedge bordering the Burley Road allotments and 82C Ladywell and jointly owned car park of 82A, 82B, 82C, 91 & 92 Ladywell**

**Current Status**

- The hedge is approximately 11 feet tall
- The hedge is very wide (up to 4 feet in places)
- The hedge is made up of fast growing Elder and Hawthorn
- The hedge has extended into the car park by several feet
- The hedge is pushing over the fence running down the side of 82C Ladywell and has engulfed the garden shed, the side of the house and the front fence.

The above factors mean this hedge is very difficult to maintain. The residents of 82C and 91 Ladywell have paid to have the hedge cut to a 6 foot level for several years however this has not been maintained by most the allotment holders as previously agreed.

See Appendix 1 for Aerial Plan and Appendix 2 for photographs

**Proposal**

Remove the hedge and replace with low maintenance fencing consisting of concrete posts with wooden fence panels.

The residents of 82C and 91 Ladywell are looking to complete this work and are requesting a contribution from Oakham town council who own the land

The allotment society have been contacted however are unwilling to discuss the matter and have referred the Ladywell resident to the Council

If the proposal is to be accepted the residents of 82C and 91 Ladywell request that the allotment side of the fence is kept clear to allow for maintenance such as annual weatherproof wood stain.

Additionally we would request the allotment holder do not attach anything to the fence.

Previous examples include:

- Barbed wire nailed along the front fence at 82C Ladywell
- Large board nailed to the front fence at 82C Ladywell which caused the fence to be blown down in strong wind.

Appendix 1 - Aerial Plan



Appendix 2 – Photographs







