

From: Sue, a renter at Radford Bridge Road Garden Holders

PLEASE ... WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT !!!

OUR ALLOTMENTS AT WOLLATON
ARE UNDER THREAT OF
POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

As fellow allotmenters within Nottingham City, the renters at Radford Bridge Road Garden Holders Association are seeking your support.

Our allotments comprise approximately 27 acres and lie between Russell Drive, Torvill Drive and Martins Pond Nature Reserve in Wollaton. They are owned by the Radford Bridge Road Garden Holders Association and its shareholders, and there is a long history of them trying to sell part of the site. The developers have asked Nottingham City Council to include two potential areas for development in their future plans for the purposes of "residential, sports, leisure, allotments and open space".

Nottingham City Council are in the process of seeking public opinion on their Land and Planning Policies Development Plan Document, and in this proposed Plan they have included two areas of the allotment site, shown on the following maps as DS54 Option 1 (approximately 9 acres) and DS55 Option 2 (approximately 12.5 acres). The majority of land in Option 2 is part of the Open Space Network.

The public have until 21 November 2011 to voice their opinion on this proposal. Inclusion in the Development Plan Document does not imply that Planning Permission will automatically be granted, but it is felt that inclusion does make an area more vulnerable to development.

The renters are voiceless within the Association, and are devastated that even the possibility of the loss of this area of allotments can be put forward by the Association's developers, regardless of the current interest in growing-your-own, and regardless of the impact on the wildlife of the area.

