

St.Monans Allotments Association – Update on progress to SAGS 17/06/06

Last year we reported to SAGS that our organisation was on the brink of submitting a planning application for allotments to be sited in St.Monans.

Alas this was not to be. At the same time as we were hoping to submit, the local draft plan was produced and it showed a cemetery extension adjacent to the intended allotment site. This had been done without the knowledge of the landowner.

To cut a long story short, the last 10 months have been spent waiting on this issue being resolved between planners and landowner. It has been and we have a letter of support from the landowner.

We will submit within the next two months on the site marked opposite. It is designated as agricultural ground but has been assessed (Autumn 2005) for inclusion in the final local plan (draft due in Autumn 2006)

Two important areas we have worked on in our last year have been to:

- a) Ensure our plans have a strong environmental statement and;
- b) Consider the approach the Association will take on safety issues including health & safety and site security

We have have also found a wee bit of time to fundraise as the picture opposite shows

We have also helped our local school by renovating an old shrub bed and planted early potatoes. The children of p5 are doing a great job watering and tending the crop

We remain positive in our approach but only too aware that we must assert our case at all levels and take nothing for granted. →

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AN ARIEL VIEW OF ST.MONANS
White line depicts boundary of proposed site



PROPOSED SITE LOOKING NORTH



FUNDRAISING

Early potatoes
planted by the
Association at the
local primary
school

