## **Guiding Principles for Shared Gardens**

Some of the shared /community gardens are gardens that are waiting to be allocated to new or existing members who wish to have a garden plot. Some are permanent shared/community garden spaces.

Shared / community gardens are a shared resource. No one member has exclusive rights to plant or harvest the produce growing in a shared garden.

We decide together what is planted in them at Working Day morning tea time. If a member can't come to morning tea then they record their suggestion plantings for the shared / community gardens on the list on the whiteboard in the container.

Shared/ community gardens should be planted with quick growing, high yielding seasonal vegetables or flowers.

They are gardens that are tended by any members who choose to do so.

Only gardeners who have contributed to the maintenance and community spirit of the garden are able to harvest from the shared / community gardens.

When harvesting from a shared / community garden harvest with thought and respect for those others who come after you.

If a decision regarding what to be planted in shared/community gardens can't be agreed upon at morning tea or more information is needed, then the decision may be deferred until the following Working Day morning tea. If unresolved then the issue will be referred to the Committee for a decision at the next meeting.

Handbook Reference - Section 7.6