

# **Andover Town Council**

To **note** the reports that EDGE can produce.

Item No.

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## **Background:**

The Officers in Feb 2023 were not used to using the Council's database for anything other than very basic tasks.

Further to minute no. AC 149/02/23, The Town Clerk investigated the capabilities of the system, and has ascertained that there are a number of reports, that if used regularly along with system data maintenance, can help officers perform their roles more efficiently.

## List of reports that are now regularly used:

### A. DASHBOARD OVERVIEW

The overall status of plots on a site can be viewed on one page. This helps quickly ascertain which plots are owing funds so that chaser emails can be sent. It is helpful to view this information along with the condition of the plots so those who are in the process of being evicted, can be identified easily if funds are outstanding.

#### **B. DUE INCOME**

All invoices that are outstanding can be viewed in one place, regardless of whether the invoice relates to rent, water or costs for bringing the site back into an acceptable condition. When funds are received in the bank, this screen is used to easily update the plots and change their payment status. The screen has an automatic link to the bank reconciliation in the Finance module to eliminate double entry of transactions.

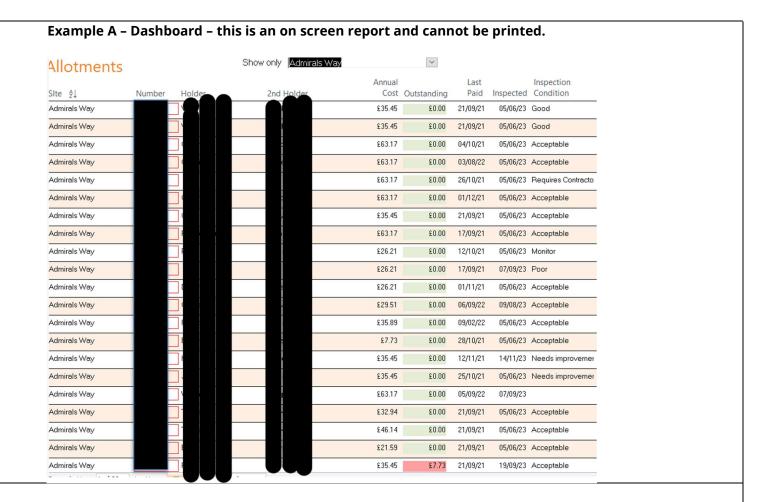
## C. SERVICE MANAGER

Tasks can be raised against a unique plots in the Allotments module. These are automatically sent to the Service Manager portal which tracks ALL tasks whether office based administration tasks, actions derived from Minutes, or physical jobs that need to be carried out.

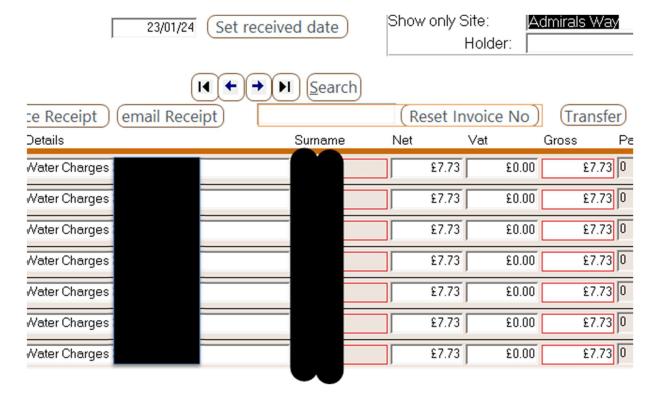
- i. The Allotment Officer uses this function to diarise plots to be inspected from emails from wardens or other tenants. Repeat checks can also be scheduled, which allows the officer to ensure that policy deadlines are adhered to. A weekly report is run before going out on site.
- ii. Maintenance jobs are booked into Service Manager. You will see job no. references on the Work Program. Jobs can be allocated to different members of staff to handle, and jobs with contractors can also be entered. This helps with identifying contractors invoices as they now MUST quote our job no. in order to be paid.

#### D. SITE SUMMARY

A basic overview of the amount of rented plots is now available instantly rather than officers having to Count the vacant plots and subtract the total from the no. of plots available.



Example B – Due Income – this is an on screen report and cannot be printed. It can be used to see old outstandings as well as new invoices. This screen is very helpful for Debt Chasing.



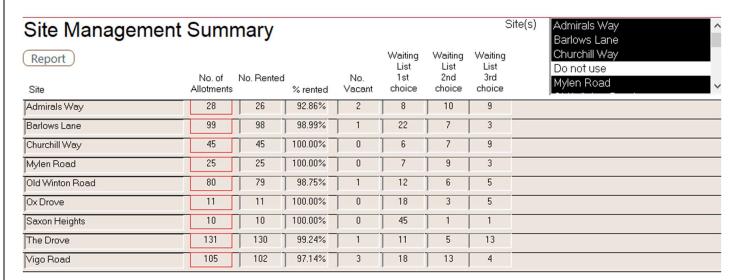
Items that are due are very visible. This screen is checked daily.

If reminders need to be diarised, This can be done in Service Manager.

**Example C - Service Manager** 



#### **Example D - Site Summary**



This report still needs some work from the package developers as the total number of allotments (both rented and vacant) does not sum correctly if a site is excluded from the list.

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