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Social Media Last Year

Our own website, www.oldlanelotts.com
Had 416 visitors last year with over 7132 views so thanks to the hard work of Ashley and Mark.

Council News

Leeds City Council can now give us just 6 months notice of rent increases. It used to be 12 months.

Supplies and Stores

Due to increase in prices from our suppliers, some of our store prices have changed. The notice board on the main building has an up to date list. All the money from the supplies go back into our allotment funds so please continue to buy from us.

Free at Last

Some very good news....a local stables has started to bring horse manure onto our allotments. The picture shows where it will be kept and it is free to any allotment holder.



A Worrying local dispute

National Allotment Society pledges to support under-threat allotments

Kirklees Council has been warned that its attempts to turf allotment holders from their plots may be illegal.

Campaigners fighting to save Cemetery Road Allotments in Birkby have rejected the authority's claims that the land, earmarked for a new sports pitch as part of the construction of a new school, is designated as temporary allotments.

New National Allotment Society president Phil Gomersall said: "The relaxation of planning laws means that allotments are under threat all over the country."

Kirklees Council said it "does not have any record" that the land had ever been officially appropriated for allotment use so it can move forward with "migrating" allotment holders to new plots by June 2018. **Huddersfield MP Barry** Sheerman and gardeners including Toby Buckland have backed the allotmenteers campaign, which is one of many in recent years by allotment holders seeking to save their plots.

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