

5th June 2025 – World Environment Day

Small gardens – big impact

5th June is **World Environment Day** – a day that reminds us all how important it is to protect our environment. This year, we would like to highlight the important role that our **allotment gardens** play in this regard. Especially in times of climate change, species extinction and increasing urbanisation, allotment gardeners make an often underestimated contribution to environmental protection.

Allotment gardens are green oases in the middle of the city: they provide habitats for bees, butterflies, hedgehogs and many other animals. With natural planting, no chemical pesticides and the use of rainwater, allotment gardens are already real biodiversity hotspots.

In addition, allotment gardens are places of learning and encounter. Here, environmental protection can be experienced in a practical way – for children, families and older people. Those who grow their own fruit and vegetables learn first-hand how valuable healthy soil, clean water and functioning ecosystems are.

On World Environment Day, we call on everyone to see our allotments not only as places of retreat, but also as a responsibility. Every square metre counts. With our commitment, we can achieve great things on a small scale.

Allotments are more than just a hobby – they are environmental protection in action.

