## Appendix B

Application form to keep rabbits on the allotment site:

Name: Plot Number:

Date: First Contact telephone number:

Please complete the table below. Second Contact telephone number:

| **Topic** | **Comment** | **What do you intend to do to cover this item?** | **By when** |
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| **Neighbours** |  |  |  |
| Where is the intended location of the rabbit hutch and run? | Consider shading of neighbour’s plot |  |  |
| Have you consulted with all your neighbours who may directly be affected? | Give the names/plot numbers of your immediate neighbours who you have consulted.  Have any objections to your request been received. If yes from whom? |  |  |
| **Animal Welfare**  Rabbits must be: |  |  |  |
| **\* Free from hunger & thirst** (animals must have access to fresh water and a diet which will maintain health and vigour) | What will the rabbits be fed?  How often will they be fed and watered?  What measures are there in place to  cover for absences? |  |  |
| **\* Free from discomfort** (an appropriate environment should be provided, including shelter and a comfortable resting area). | Provide the size of the hutch/resting area  What provisions do you have for such eventualities as flooding? |  |  |
| **\* Free from pain, injury or disease**  (you must ensure the prevention of illnesses, or rapid diagnosis and treatment) | Vermin that spread diseases may be attracted by food/waste.  How often will the rabbits be cleaned out and what will be done with the waste?  How will the feed be stored?  What arrangements do you have with a vet (if the rabbits require treatment)?  How often will the rabbits be visited? |  | f |
| \* **Free to express normal behaviour** (sufficient space, proper facilities and company of the animal’s own kind should all be provided) | What is the size of the run to be provided  What number of  rabbits are to be kept in the space? |  |  |
| \* **Free from fear and distress (**you must provide conditions and treatment which avoid mental suffering) | What measures are to be taken to exclude foxes/rats, and to prevent rabbits escaping? |  |  |