

# 'Blades Will Sprout'

A brief background on the  
regeneration of the Staveley  
Allotments, accompanying the  
short film





After five years of looking for other land for allotments, the Parish Council formed an Allotments Regeneration Group to work on the old allotments.

These allotments were given to the poor of Over Staveley in 1890.

They were well worked for many years but fell into disuse during the past 30 - 40 years..



# Allotment Work Parties



..until 2015 when Councillor Salisbury began working with those on the allotments waiting list, who helped with many work parties to regenerate the site, enabling residents access to space to grow their own food.



# Letting in the light



Some old and damaged trees were felled and trunks removed by horses. Branches left behind were chopped by the work parties and sold for firewood to help fund other regeneration projects.



# Regeneration of springs





# Mending footpaths



# Clearing plots





# A before and after





We hope you enjoy this short 12 min film, produced by local film maker Sarah Thomas, commissioned by SENS and funded by SLDC as part of a series of films on sustainability in the village.  
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