







Get involved with the **C**olumbia **T**enants and **R**esidents **A**ssociation Gardening Group

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#### Who are we?

The Columbia Tenants and Residents Association represents residents on the Newling, Dorset, Virginia and Gascoigne estates either side of Columbia Road

While our regular meetings haven't been possible during the pandemic, many members have been active on local gardening projects in the last year.

We are working to provide ways for more residents to grow on our estates; to improve environmental awareness and sustainability; and to get outdoors and make new friends in the local community.

Planting new herb beds on the Dorset Estate



# What Have We Been Doing?

In 2020 we:

- Established a plant nursery, began raising seedlings and installed hot composters
- Continued to improve planting in public borders on Chambord Street and in front of Sivill House
- Added a circular bed with flowers and vegetables behind James Hammett House
- Secured and planted two new shared herb beds and a bird bath on the Dorset Estate
- Cleared and replanted neglected flower beds in front of Cuff Point

In 2021 we want to widen our activities. This will include:

- Planting, weeding and watering flower and vegetable beds
- Planting and managing trees
- Woodwork, DIY and design
- Raising seedlings at home
- Running virtual and live events for residents
- Making food and craft products from things we grow

### Join In!

### Saturday 30 January, 5pm Virtual Meetup

Bring a cup of tea and join us online to meet some of our active members, hear what we have planned for the start of 2021 and let us know what you'd like to see growing in your neighbourhood!

Contact us to get the meeting link.

## **Get in Touch**

If you're interested in getting involved, please let us know at:

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