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General

1. What is an allotment garden?

Allotment gardens are plots of land available for rent for growing your own plants.

Following the initial success of the pilot scheme at HortPark, new allotment gardening plots will be introduced in 10 more parks islandwide over the next two years. By 2019, more than 1,000 allotment garden plots will be available to the community.

Each allotment gardening plot consists of a 2.5 m x 1 m raised planter bed, and can be leased for three years at a charge of \$57 /year (excluding GST). There are 2 heights for the raised beds – knee-height (~0.50m) and waist-height (~0.85m) in all parks except Sengkang Riverside Park which has only knee-height plots.

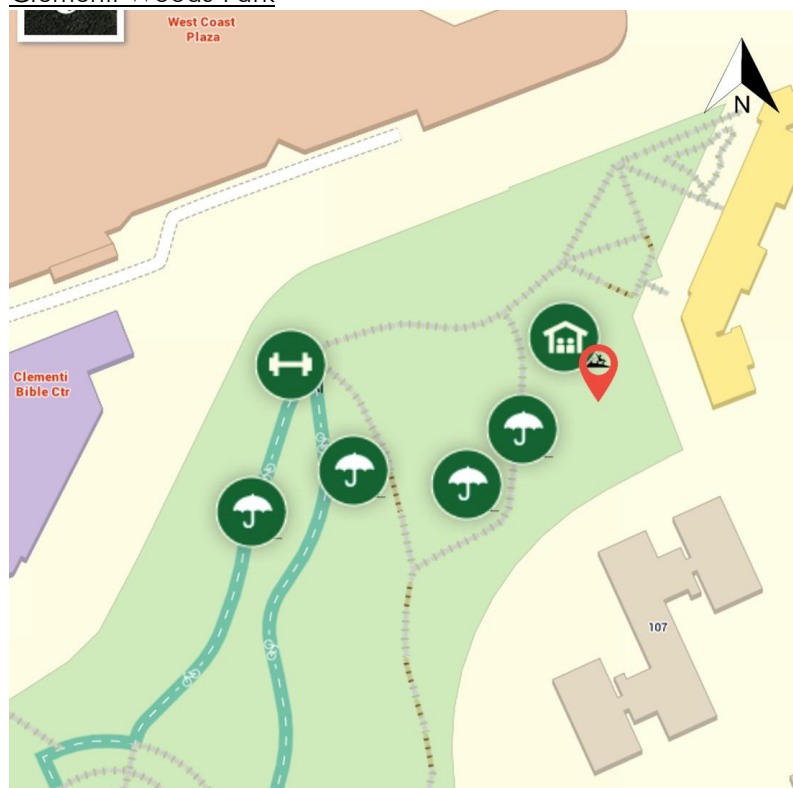
2. Will the allotment garden be fenced up?

The allotment garden will not be fenced.

3. Where are/will be the locations of the allotment gardens within the parks?

The indicative locations are indicated by the red pin in the maps below:

Clementi Woods Park



Punggol Park



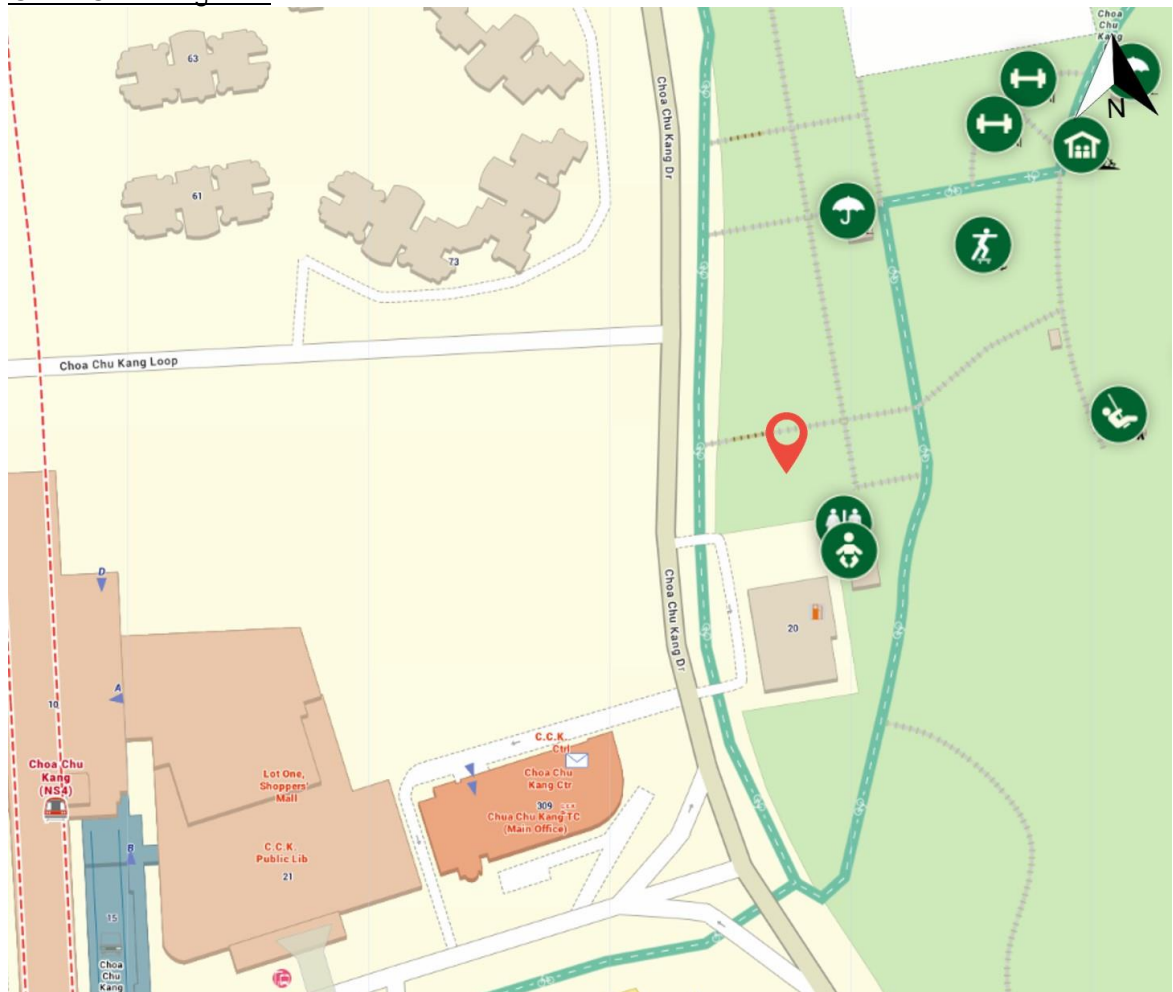
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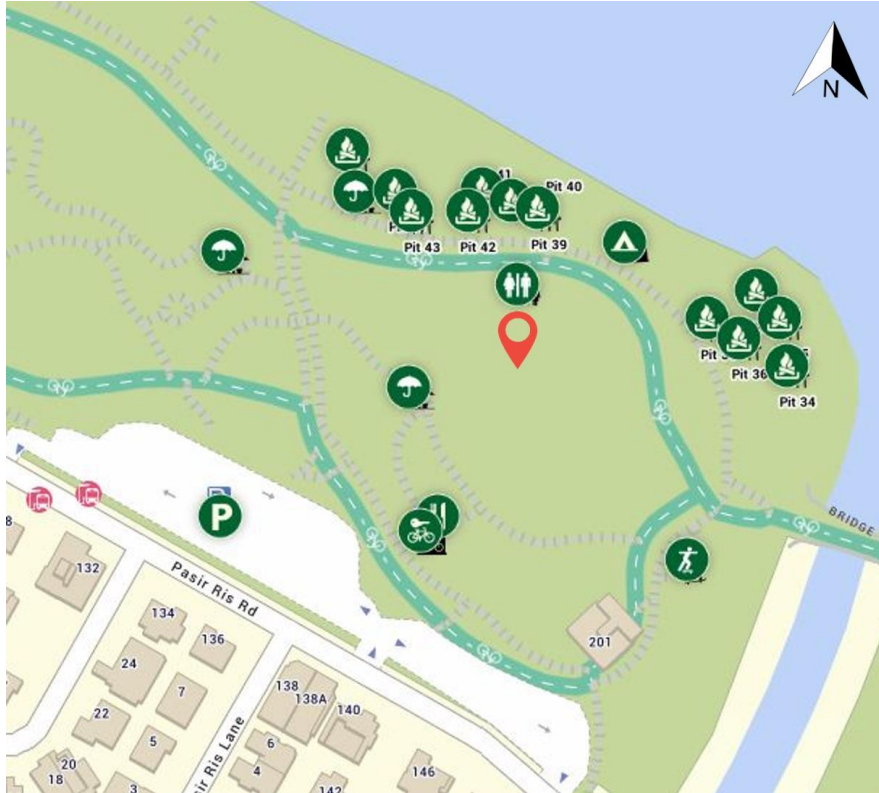
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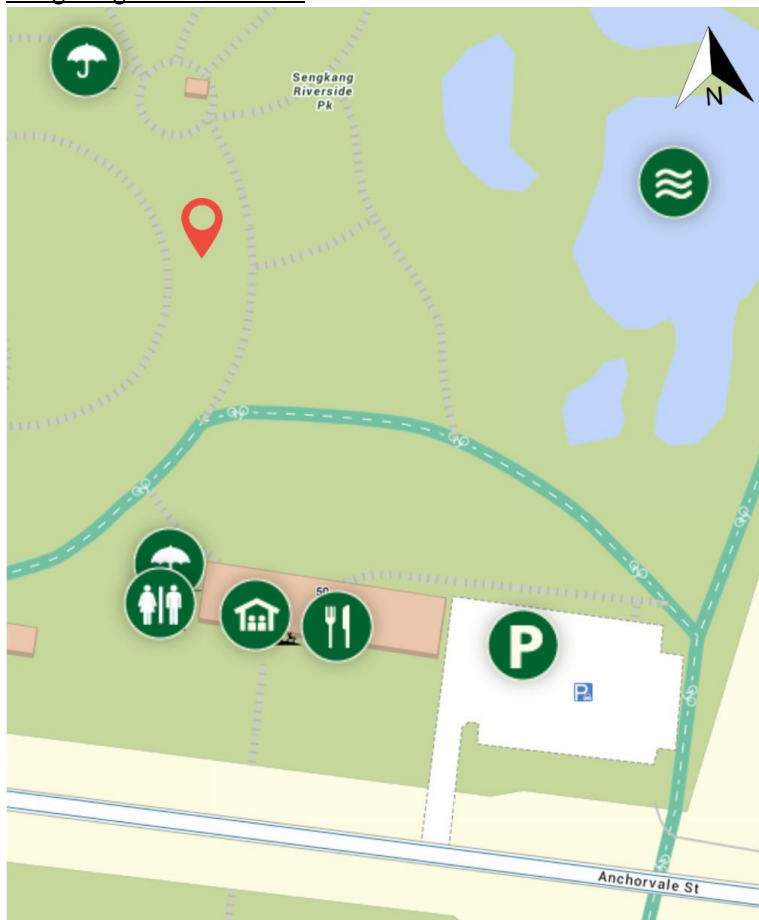
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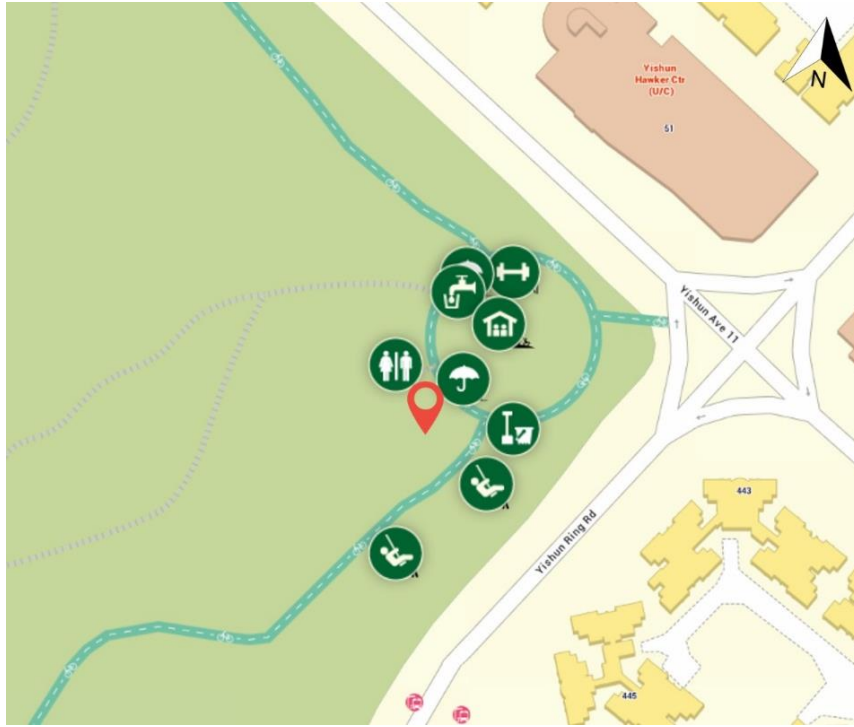
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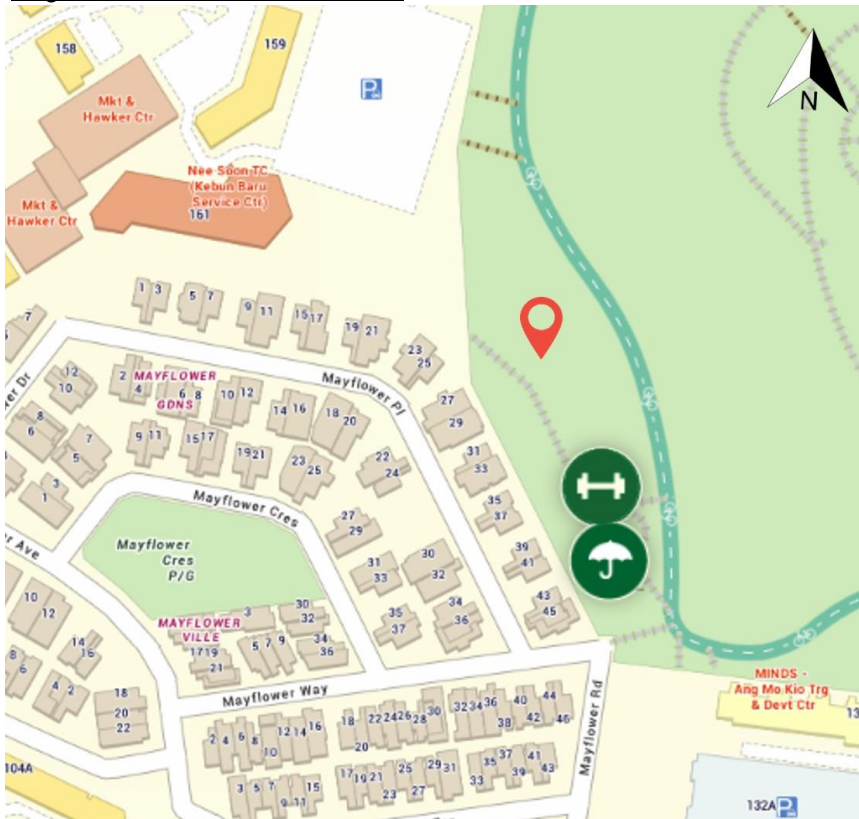
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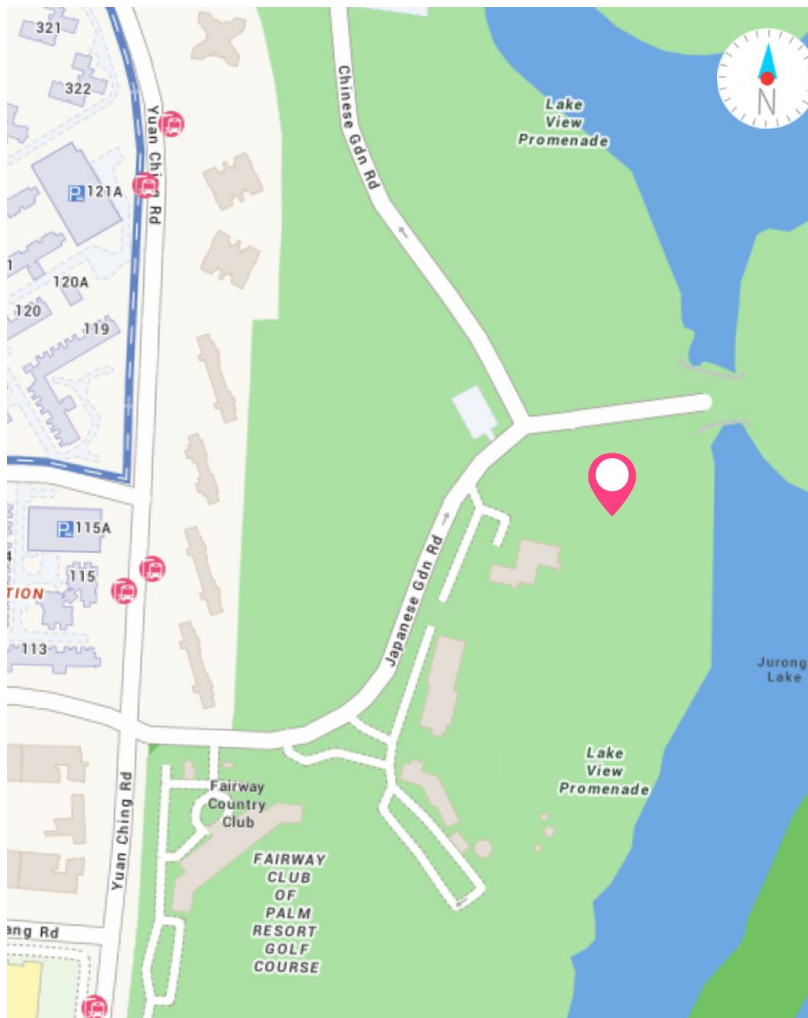
Yishun Park



Ang Mo Kio Town Garden West



Jurong Lake Gardens West



4. Can I plant anything that I like?

All plants and gardening structures should not exceed 1 metre in standing height. Poisonous plants or plants unpermitted by law are not allowed to be planted in the allotment gardening plot.

5. Can I use pesticides at the allotment gardening plot?

Chemical pesticides, herbicides and fungicides are not allowed to be used at the allotment gardening plot.

6. Where can I store my tools and will there be a CCTV to monitor the allotment garden?

A storage box will be provided at the allotment gardening plot where tools must be kept when not in use (a separate storage area will be provided for Sengkang Riverside Park instead due to site constraints).

As the individual renting the plot, you are responsible for the security of items kept within the storage box or brought into the allotment gardening plot. NParks will not be responsible for the loss or damage of any items including all produce from the allotment gardening plots. There will not be any CCTVs installed to monitor the area.

7. Will water and electricity be provided?

Shared water points are available for use at the allotment garden. No electricity will be provided.

8. Will NParks or their contractors help me to maintain the allotment gardening plot if I am unable to do so?

You are required at all times and at your own expense, to maintain the allotment gardening plot and its immediate surroundings in a good and presentable condition, including trimming overgrown shrubs, removing weeds, pest-infested plants, dead and damaged plants/products.

NParks will also not be responsible for any instances of mosquito breeding detected by the National Environment Agency (NEA) at the allotment gardening plots. You are responsible for taking all precautions and measures to prevent breeding of mosquitoes at the allotment gardening plot.

9. What if I am unable to maintain my plot for a period of time?

If you fail to maintain the allotment gardening plot, and within the time stipulated by NParks, we reserve the right to terminate the lease.

Application

10. How many plots can I lease?

One applicant per household is allowed to a Licence of 1 allotment gardening plot at any one time.

11. Can I choose the plot to lease?

Plots (waist- or knee- height) are assigned on a first-come first-served basis.

12. When can I expect to start gardening after applying for a plot?

The Licence start date will be approximately 2–3 months after applications are closed. We will send you a Letter of Offer if your application is successful within a month.

13. I forgot to bring my IC for registration. Can I submit it later?

Yes, please scan and submit it by the next day to the email address provided during the day of registration.

14. Can you call me back when the allotment plots in the park I am interested in are open for application?

Please check the NParks Allotment Gardens webpage for an indicative timeline on when applications will be open and for updates on allotment gardening plots in our parks.

15. I am a foreigner, can I apply for an allotment gardening plot?

Yes, but Singaporeans and Permanent Residents will be given priority.

16. What is the minimum age to apply for an allotment gardening plot?

The minimum age to apply for a plot is 18 years old at the time of application.

Payment

17. Can I just pay the fee for 1 year?

The allotment gardening plot is leased on a 3-year basis.

18. Will I get a refund if I need to end the lease before the third year?

No refund will be given if you decide to withdraw before the lease expires.

19. When must I pay for the plot and what is the payment mode?

The Letter of Offer will be sent to all successful applicants. Payment will be by bank transfer to NParks bank account. The details will be provided in the Letter of Offer.