

## **Transition Horsham Horsham District Seed Circle 2021**

Transition Horsham launched this Seed Circle at Seedy Saturday on March 6<sup>th</sup> 2021. Seed circles generally involve a group of friends or allotment holders, who each agree to grow and save seed of one sort of open pollinated vegetable or flower – then swap.

This seed circle is for anyone in Horsham District who wants to join, saving seed to bring to next year's Seedy Saturday on March 5<sup>th</sup> 2022.

We challenge you to grow with as little impact on the environment as possible, and with wildlife in mind, but the most important thing is to enjoy growing together. If you want to join this community of growers, who range from complete beginners to people with considerable experience, email [allotment@transitionhorsham.org.uk](mailto:allotment@transitionhorsham.org.uk).

In a monthly email we share tips and news. There is also a What's App group which members may choose to join. And, from May, events where members can get together and discuss progress. This is our plan for the year. Dates and formats of events are provisional – details will be confirmed in the emails.

March – sow seed for most crops (but check individual instructions for dates and protection needed)

April – we hope shoots and seedlings appear. We'd love to see your photos .....

May – Seedlings grow – ready for planting out once frosts are past, usually in late May. Bring spare seedlings to Seedling Saturday stall on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Swap for others – or find replacements if all has not gone to plan with yours.

We'd also love to hear about local swaps and plant events .....

June, July and August – water as needed, protect from predators and watch them grow. Harvest when ready but leave some healthy plants for seed. Photos please!

July 31st Opportunity to catch up with fellow seed circle members. Advice on saving and storing seed

September 25<sup>th</sup> How's it going? Another chance to meet up with other seed circle members.

November 27<sup>th</sup> Thinking of next year? Come and chat

February, March 2022 Label up your seeds in and bring them to Seedy Saturday

This Seed Circle is a Transition Horsham project, with support from the HDC Climate Fund. Transition Horsham is a local community organisation but part of the international Transition movement. Its aims are to

1. Publicise issues around climate change, carbon, energy conservation, renewable energy and sustainable living
2. Promote the transition to a community that is less reliant on fossil fuels, has a smaller carbon footprint, reduces climate change and is more resilient
3. Encourage, support and collaborate with related local initiatives

For further information see [www.transitionhorsham.org.uk](http://www.transitionhorsham.org.uk) or email [coordinator@transitionhorsham.org.uk](mailto:coordinator@transitionhorsham.org.uk)

