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Coffee chaff has its uses - available free of charge

You will see by the communal shed about 12 bags of what might seem to be porridge oats. They are in fact a by-product of coffee production. Do your own research but they will help enrich your soil. There are unlimited supplies so try it out at home as well as on your plot.

This is a letter from Ian Broad, who runs Round Hill Roastery situated on the industrial estate opposite the MSN re-cycle.

Coffee chaff is very light, so the bags will generally weigh no more than 5kg making them easy to transport.

We're not worried about keeping the supply constant, we're happy for allotment members to collect whenever is best for them. If you do find good use for it, we can always drop some off on our local delivery runs, on a regular basis.

We are currently storing these bags outside of Unit 16 of the Midsomer Enterprise park, so wanted to get the word out, and make it available for use in the local community.

Ian

What is coffee chaff good for?

Coffee chaff is a great byproduct of roasting coffee beans that can **create nutrient-rich soil for your garden**. As well as recycling a waste product that would otherwise be thrown away, it's a cheap alternative to soil supplements.

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Enthusiastic weed and border growth

THANK YOU to the majority of plot holders who are keeping their borders clean, as is required by the current agreement. To the few, please keep your borders trimmed and tidy. It does spoil the look of the whole place if overgrown.

Also please remove seed-bearing weeds. They tend to blow over on to other plots.

And - if anyone has spare unwanted vegetables and fruits.....there are many examples of unpicked rhubarb going to waste when this could be offered around.

We are using the website more now to announce events. Please note that the Member Forum (password 2468) is now fully interactive. People can comment about anything and get responses from anyone else.

I have announced the October AGM in 'posts' along with anything else that is of general interest. Posts are via the editor.

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