

# Gardens



If you have any area of garden ground associated with your home it is your responsibility to make sure that the garden is kept neat and tidy.

The current Garden Maintenance Scheme is open to households where all members are over the age of 65, or for tenants under 65 who are unable to look after a garden themselves due to ill health or a disability. The terms of the Garden Maintenance Scheme are currently being reviewed, and more information on the proposed changes will be communicated to tenants in the near future.

## Who qualifies for the Garden Maintenance Scheme?

Perth & Kinross Council provides a Garden Maintenance Service for certain tenants who qualify. The scheme is open to tenants who are aged 65 or over. Tenants who are under 65 and are physically disabled also qualify, providing they are in receipt of either Disability Living Allowance, Sever Disablement Allowance or Attendance Allowance. In addition to the above conditions, there must be no able-bodied person within the tenant's household who could maintain the garden on their behalf.

## What does the Garden Maintenance Scheme do?

The Garden Maintenance Service provides the following assistance:

- Grass cut every fortnight between April and September (weather permitting)
- Grass edges trimmed at every cut
- Grass cuttings raked, bagged and removed
- Where tenants have hedges, these will be cut once in March and once in October. Cuttings will be collected and removed.

There is a charge of £52.80 for this service. The charge can be spread over the year with your weekly rent.

If you are interested in applying for this scheme, please contact your local area office or go to [www.pkc.gov.uk](http://www.pkc.gov.uk) for a copy of the application form.

If you would like to park a caravan or trailer in your garden you must first obtain written permission from your local area housing office. We will only grant permission if the caravan or trailer can be parked where it does not cause a disturbance or nuisance for any neighbour.



### Looking for more information?

Check the Perth & Kinross Council website [www.pkc.gov.uk](http://www.pkc.gov.uk) or contact any Council office to request a copy of:

- Tenants' Guide on Vehicle Parking (section 2.6)
- Garden Maintenance Scheme application form