

## Shepherd Road Allotments Annual Open Day



St Anne's Town Mayor Barbara Mackenzie poses next to the new allotment sign made by one of the plot holders, as Shepherd Road Allotments held their Annual Open Day and received a large number of visitors during the day. Many visitors strolled round the allotments and remarked they hadn't realised there were so many plots on the site.

Allotment gardening is becoming increasingly popular especially since the steep rise in food prices and raised awareness of 'green' issues in relation to food miles. The waiting list for plots now stands at over 40 and although some larger plots have been divided in half to try to meet this resurgence in demand, it could be a while before some of those on the waiting list are successful.

The allotment committee who organised the day not only ran a fresh produce stall but home-made chutneys and wine were on sale as were second-hand tools and refreshments.



The Allotment Committee are hoping to have their own place to meet shortly as they have cleared an area with a view to erecting a shed once planning permission has been obtained.