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PC 1886 Mansell Gloucester Community Team

Date: 11<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Dear Sir or Madam

I am writing to all Saintbridge allotment holders following a complaint to the police regarding interference with badger setts on the site.

This letter has been sent, in the spirit of making you aware of the ongoing problems on the site and to ask that if you have any further information please contact myself to discuss further.

This is in no way a suggestion that allotment holders are responsible but I felt that you should be made aware of the ongoing issues and legal responsibilities placed upon us all.

Whilst I understand that the badgers may cause issues regarding crop disturbance, I must also advise that they are protected under the Protection of Badgers act 1992 and any of the following acts constitute a criminal offence:

- (a) damaging a badger sett or any part of it;
- (b) destroying a badger sett;
- (c) obstructing access to, or any entrance of, a badger sett;
- (d) causing a dog to enter a badger sett; or
- (e) disturbing a badger when it is occupying a badger sett

I would also like to offer you the opportunity to discuss any issues or concerns with the Badger Trust:

Tina Martin 07969 957 824 Email<u>tinamartinglosbadgertrust@gmail.com</u> Website <u>https://gloucestershirebadgertrust.wordpress.com/</u>



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Hopefully this may alleviate any of your concerns and offer you some support in dealing with the matter

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Yours sincerely,

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On behalf of Inspector Steve Wood Gloucester City Neighbourhood Inspector