

I'd heard about the Vine Road Community Garden a few months back, but had never got round to visiting, so the seed swap was a good excuse to go, especially as I had a lot of spare seeds I wanted to donate.



It was a nice sunny day and I went along, seed packets in hand and the first thing I couldn't help noticing was the big poly tunnel that I'd heard people talk about. Now when I say big poly tunnel, I mean BIG poly tunnel. You could probably fit several of my poly tunnels in there with room to spare. I had severe poly tunnel envy.

I was met by Rashadee and Claire, two lovely ladies who help run the community gardens and I was very kindly shown around and told about all the plans they had. I have to say I was very impressed as I had no idea how big it all was. Far bigger than the Mortlake Community Garden that I help out at in Alder Road.



If you've only got a windowsill or balcony and would like the opportunity to do some more veg growing or pick up some tips and get advice, then popping along to a community garden is a great idea and a good way to meet new people.

Vine Road Community Garden meets every month on the 3rd Saturday of the month with the next one being **19th March 2022 at 9am – 12 noon.**

Mortlake Community Garden in Alder Road meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month with the next one being **16th March 2022 at 10.30 – 12 noon.**

Community gardens are springing up everywhere so it's always a good idea to see where your nearest one is if you're not in the Mortlake/Barnes area.