

RHS It's Your Neighbourhood Assessment Form 2019



Entry Name: Wrekin Avenue
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50 words of introduction re-entry:	
<p>What a tranquil well-kept space, once an untidy, unloved walkway bounded by fences from adjacent houses. Not only that leading onto another delightful space with mature trees well-kept grass, masses of perennial planting and children's play area no less. Given the proximity of housing on site composting has proved difficult, but harvesting rainwater from a neighbour's garage roof for use in this public realm certainly has not. Well done to Barbara and her Blooming Buddies.</p>	
Section A - Community Participation (40% or 40 points)	
<p><i>The group is working towards things such as:</i></p> <p><i>Community involvement with lots of social activities as well as horticultural pride and achievement. Local ownership and direction</i></p> <p><i>Making a difference to local people</i></p> <p><i>Involving local people with planning, decision-making, communication & implementation</i></p> <p><i>Representative of the local community</i></p> <p><i>Getting support (e.g. from local council, grant aid, sponsorship, in-kind aid etc.)</i></p> <p><i>Planning for the future</i></p> <p><i>Working in partnership with other organisations (i.e. police, community support officers, environmental groups etc.)</i></p>	
Total points assessed for Section A (out of 40)	38
Section B - Environmental Responsibility (30% or 30 points)	
<p><i>The group is engaged in environmental activities such as:</i></p> <p><i>Conservation (e.g. resources, heritage, wildlife, built environment)</i></p> <p><i>Composting</i></p> <p><i>Recycling</i></p> <p><i>Creating, maintaining or improving green space</i></p> <p><i>Sharing knowledge and skills</i></p> <p><i>The group is engaged in addressing environmental issues such as:</i></p> <p><i>Fly-tipping</i></p> <p><i>Fly-posting</i></p> <p><i>Litter</i></p> <p><i>Graffiti</i></p> <p><i>Dog fouling</i></p>	
Total points assessed for Section B (out of 30)	28
Section C - Gardening Achievement (30% or 30 points)	

<p><i>The group is employing good gardening practices appropriate to the area, such as:</i> <i>good plant choice</i> <i>Good maintenance, presentation and management</i> <i>Creativity</i> <i>Innovation</i> <i>Overcoming site difficulties</i> <i>Enhancing the area through gardening</i></p>	
Total points assessed for Section C (out of 30)	27
GRAND TOTAL POINTS ASSESSED	93
LEVEL ACHIEVED	Level 5 - Outstanding
<p>Areas of achievement: A voluntary grass cutting regime that is palpably far superior to that of the council contractors. A splendid display in both variety and condition of the planting each side of the walkway with sustainability high on the agenda. Liveried Blooming Buddies proud, and rightly so, of their work accompanying the assessor. Water harvesting from a neighbours garage roof. Clean, tidy and somehow the work and effort instils a sense of peace and calm in what is essentially a 'backwater' piece of land.</p>	
<p>Areas for development:</p>	

Results

Level	Description	Points
Level 1	Establishing	0-35
Level 2	Improving	36-52
Level 3	Developing	53-68
Level 4	Thriving	69-85
Level 5	Outstanding	86-100