



Best Kept Village Competition
Haughton 2014
and
Haughton in Bloom
Newsletter
February



Launch Meeting

This year's **Best Kept Village Competition** and **Haughton in Bloom Launch Meeting** will be held on **Friday 7th March in Haughton Village Hall at 7.30pm**

The success of the campaigns depends on the support of everyone who lives and works in the village and the initial meeting gives the opportunity for all ages of the community to meet and discuss ways in which our village can be further improved. Please join us at the meeting and help Haughton once again achieve success through combined community effort and pride in our environment.

- ✓ Information
- ✓ Initiatives
- ✓ Key dates
- ✓ Opportunities to volunteer
- ✓ Refreshments

All welcome

Growing for Gold

We are re-entering the Heart of England in Bloom campaign just when the RHS is celebrating 50 years of Britain in Bloom. To commemorate this landmark, the theme for 2014 is *Growing for Gold*, with an emphasis on golden flowers which are perfect for pollinators. The society hopes that groups taking part will consider planting a border in a shared area and will provide free seeds for the purpose.

There is, of course, no requirement for individuals to do other than follow their own tastes, but some of you may like to consider the Bloom colour scheme as inspiration for this summer's planting. Suggestions for golden, insect-friendly plants can be found on the RHS's website at:

<http://www.rhs.org.uk/Gardening/Community-gardening/Britain-in-Bloom/Britain-in-Bloom-launch>

Dog-fouling Poster Competition

There is still time to enter our competition which aims to encourage all dog-walkers to pick up after their pet. All the entry details can be found on the notice-boards and on the Haughton in Bloom and BKV pages of the website. We would particularly welcome entries from older children and young people.

Age groups:

8 and under

9-13

14-17

Prizes will be awarded in each age group:

First prize - £15

Second prize - £10

Third prize - £5

Please write your name, age and address on the back of your poster

Entries to – Councillor Derek Warbrick, 7 Beech Close
 or any member of the Parish Council

Closing date – Sunday 23rd March 2014



To help in the campaigns please contact any member of the Parish Council

Further information on Haughton's BKV and Bloom campaigns, past and present, can be found at www.haughton-staffs.org.uk