



Best Kept Village Competition
Haughton 2014
and
Haughton in Bloom
Newsletter



July

Haughton in Bloom Judging

The sun shone on Haughton when two judges from Heart of England in Bloom made their scheduled visit. Wednesday 2nd July was fine and dry, and although some of the gold blooms were still in bud, the beds, borders, baskets and troughs looked healthy and colourful. Chris Blythe and Robin Russell began their morning by watching a presentation at the Village Hall which gave an overview of the projects and activities of the past year. Many people came to support and to enjoy the refreshments, before the judges were taken on a tour of the village. School, churchyard, Village Hall, pubs, beds and borders, Grassy Lane and private gardens were included in the tour, which had to be completed in 75 minutes. During every Bloom tour, as well as looking for *Areas of Achievement*, judges note *Areas for Improvement*, but the result of their judgements and their comments will not be known until the Heart of England in Bloom presentation event in September.

Many thanks to all who supported this campaign

Best Kept Garden and Hanging Baskets Competition Awards Evening

Haughton Village Hall

Friday 8th August

7.30pm

Best Kept Garden Competition results and presentation of prizes by The Garden Guild

Review of the 2014 campaigns

Refreshments

All welcome

‘Growing for Gold’

As the season progresses, gold plants are popping up in many places, including in private gardens, in the Sunday School’s pots by the church porch (with very tall sunflowers!), in beds and borders and at the Village Hall. The village has glowed with gold in this year’s long spell of sunshine. Thanks to all who embraced the RHS’s theme for 2014 with such enthusiasm.



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