

# Barrow in Bloom 2020

Dear All,

Following our entry into East Midlands in Bloom this Summer we hope to enter again in 2020 and would welcome your support. Barrow in Bloom boosts our vibrant village, highlights our community spirit and celebrates the huge amount of volunteering in the parish.

We do need more help in the organisation of the event and would love to involve more of our community groups. This year we would also like to involve businesses and pubs around the village. Perhaps a best pub planter competition or a business sponsorship of a green space in the village. We also hope schools and sports groups can be involved.

There are many ways in which you can be involved big or small.

For example:

Would you like to have your say on the judging route? What colours or flowers we use in the planters around the village? What horticultural improvements around the village we should make? Perhaps with litter picking events around the village, or other events helping the community.

We are going to have a meeting for anyone interested on **Thursday 26th September at the Parish Council Offices starting at 7pm.**

Last year there were 3 main pillars of judging criteria; Horticultural Achievements (50%), Environmental Responsibility (25%), and Community Participation (25%). We think this will remain the same for next year.

In our recent portfolio we listed ideas for future projects around the village. We will need to confirm which of these to take forward. We also listed ongoing work from the previous year, so we will need to decide how much more work is needed to complete these projects. We will get the results from last year on 18th September along with a Visit Report with notes from the judges about suggested improvements we could make. This may also have an impact on what we decide to do next year.

We hope to include a Bloom feeling at as many of the village events as possible to enable us to include as many of the social clubs around the village as possible.

Please let us know by emailing [clerk@barrowpc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@barrowpc.org.uk) or call us on 01509 416016. We welcome your ideas on how we can do this together.

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