



CUMBRIA



Part of RHS BRITAIN IN BLOOM

## Judging Form

### Villages & Hamlets Judging Criteria - 2016

**Cumbria in Bloom Pride in your Community Competition** – renamed to emphasise that the visual impact should show the care taken by a community with its appearance: tidiness, good maintenance as well as floral and horticultural.

For judges' comments please use report form

Entry name <b>CUMMERSDALE</b>	<b>5TH JULY 2016</b>
Judges names <b>JEAN AIREY/PAT GEDDES</b>	Time <b>10.00A.M.</b>
Special category nominations <b>YES</b>	<b>ALLOTMENTS</b>

#### Section A – Overall Appearance – 40 marks (29%)

1. General impression of quality of upkeep – can include signs and seats etc	<b>7</b>
2. Tidiness of roads, paths and other public areas	<b>7</b>
3. Upkeep of "green" areas: grass, hedges, fences and boundary walls etc	<b>7</b>
4. Tidiness of surroundings to buildings: eg. church, school, pub, shop, farm or other business as well as private dwellings	<b>7</b>
<b>With each above element attracting a possible 10 marks, insert total out of 40</b>	<b>28</b>

#### Section B – Gardening (Horticultural) Activity - 50 marks (36%)

1. Contribution made by private gardens visible to the public	<b>7</b>
2. Contribution made by commercial and public organisations	<b>6</b>
3. Use of suitable flowers, shrubs and trees to enhance appearance where appropriate	<b>6</b>
4. Quality of maintenance: eg. weedfree, healthy plants etc	<b>7</b>
5. Taking a year-round approach to encourage a sustainable appearance	<b>5</b>
<b>With each above element attracting a possible 10 marks, insert total out of 50</b>	<b>31</b>

#### Section C – Consideration of the Environment - 20 marks (14%)

1. Wildlife – Does the community cater for wildlife through naturally occurring features and/or has it created special areas/features?	<b>9</b>
2. Use of resources – water, manure/fertiliser, getting rid of waste, composting. To what extent is this approach supported by the community?	<b>8</b>
<b>With each above element attracting a possible 10 marks, insert total out of 20</b>	<b>17</b>

#### Section D – Community Participation - 30 marks (21%)

1. In planning and deciding what should be done	<b>8</b>
2. In supporting planting, mowing, weeding, tidying etc	<b>8</b>
3. Making sure enough people and businesses are involved to organise and to provide funds for ongoing promotion of an attractive appearance	<b>8</b>
<b>With each above element attracting a possible 10 marks, insert total out of 30</b>	<b>24</b>

<b>Total marks out of 140</b>	<b>100</b>
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## Judges' Comments

### **Cumbria in Bloom Pride in your Community Competition Villages & Hamlets Judging Criteria – 2016 Comments from the Judges**

Entry name: **CUMMERSDALE VILLAGE**  
Judges names: **JEAN AIREY/PAT GEDDESS**

Date and time: **5TH JULY 2016**

#### **Section A – Overall Appearance**

**The efforts of the band of litter pickers, weeders, and grasscutters were reflected in the appearance of the village. It was apparent it was part of the Cumbria in Bloom family, entering into the spirit of improving the environment for the benefit of the community.**

#### **Section B – Gardening (Horticultural) Activity**

**The residents of the Crescent, many of who are senior citizens made a significant contribution by the colour and variety of planting in their gardens. The Parish Council has further enhanced public displays by the addition of new planters this year.**

#### **Section C – Consideration of the Environment**

**The Copse is an excellent community facility and affords many opportunities for further development as an environmental project, which is maturing well since its inception and original planting. Additional interpretive boards and enhanced entrances would raise the profile of this amenity.**

#### **Section D – Community Participation**

**The judges were very encouraged by the level of community input, enthusiasm and achievement of all concerned in improving the village given the limited resources.**

**Special Features – The judges can record any special outstanding features, projects, events that are worthy of special mention at the awards ceremony and/or publicity.**