



RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS

RAMSEY IN BLOOM COMPETITION 2017



- (1) **PUBLIC BUILDING SECTION** - to include: Schools, Hospitals, Nursing Homes, Sheltered Housing Complexes, Cummal Mooar, Kerroo Glass, Church Properties, Bus Station, Tram Station, Youth and Social Clubs, etc.
- (2) **COMMERCIAL PREMISES**
 - a) Small Premises e.g. Shops, Estate Agents, Public Houses, Lawyers/Accountants Offices and Guest Houses.
 - b) Large Premises to include: Banks, Factories, Large Hotels, Large Office Developments, Garages and Show Rooms.
- (3) **PRIVATE GARDENS** - to include **both** Private and Public Sector Housing.
 - a) Small Garden
 - b) Large Garden
- (4) **LITTLE GEMS** - (First, Second & Third). Very small garden or no garden, but use of limited frontage which must be easily seen from the public highway or pavement.
- (5) **COMMUNITY PROJECT** – A voucher for £75 voucher to be awarded for work carried out by any organisation, neighbours, group of friends to improve any site by landscaping or the planting of flowers, trees and shrubs or making a water garden or pond, etc. to the benefit of the whole or part of the community.
- (6) **WILDLIFE GARDEN** – A voucher for £50, the Maureen Ball Wildlife Trophy and a certificate to the winner of this section. There are no second or third categories. The use of bird feeders, variety of foods available, special plantings to attract wildlife, diverse habitat, thought to be given to insects nesting or hibernating in the garden, bird and bat boxes, arrangements for hedgehogs and natural foods available from plantings and good garden husbandry i.e. composting and recycling measures.
- (7) **SPECIAL PRIZES** - **seven** trophies/vouchers to be won.

One prize only for best newcomers in RTC Housing, best newcomers overall in competition, best RTC Garden, persons or establishments anywhere in Ramsey who have made the best use of limited space by use of pot plants, etc., hanging baskets, window boxes and tubs or have made a substantial effort despite difficulties of terrain, location, aspect, limited financial resources or a physical disability from amongst the entrants. An additional prize will be given for a special feature in the garden e.g. a pond, decorative stone wall, hedge, patio etc.
- (8) **CHILDREN'S SECTION** – (First, Second & Third).

The Ramsey Garden Centre Trophy, a voucher for £50 and a certificate to the winner of this section. Second and third places will receive a cash prize and certificate.

A new Children's Section for under 16's. A section or small plot of garden containing flowers, shrubs etc., containerised pots or hanging baskets, which are maintained primarily by school-age children, usually under adult supervision.

An ideal way to introduce children to gardening and for families to get together in the fresh air, learn about sustainability, growing plants and their uses, and share ideas and knowledge - all while having fun.

(9) FRUIT AND VEGETABLE GARDEN SECTION – (First, Second and Third).

The Farmers Combine Trophy, a voucher for £50 and a certificate to the winner of this section.

(10) WINNERS TOUR

THE SECRET GARDEN EVENT WILL BE RUN ON SUNDAY 23RD JULY, 2017.

THE RAMSEY TOWN COMMEMORATIVE CUP WILL BE AWARDED TO THE WINNER WHICH WILL BE VOTED ON BY THE PUBLIC WHO FOLLOW THE TRAIL.