



TOWN GARDEN JUDGE'S GUIDELINES

Most importantly- the Garden area to be judged must be clearly visible- whether front, back or side- to someone passing by. N.B. you must **not** enter the property to view it.

Please place Gardens into three categories:

- Central Ward
- East Ward
- West Ward

In each category **Two prizes-** **First and Runner-up**

Overall from Winners of Ward please chose **1 Overall Best Garden**

A Highly Commended Section and a **Commended** Section -

Split of numbers in last two categories at your discretion up to 34 in total.

(It does not matter if there are less)

If there has been inclement weather or some Councillors have not been too vigilant, you may find ones on the list whose appearance has changed! Alternatively as you pass you may see others you feel worthy of adding.

We do not expect expert criteria e.g. correct plants for the area, standard of growth etc., as these are all amateur gardeners. However we would be grateful if the following could be borne in mind:

- Overall Design e.g. how it is set out, how things blend/ contrast
- Variety of Shapes and Colours of Plants and/or Objects used
- Standard of Maintenance
- Overall Appeal- 'the WOW factor!'

'Group' Section- Please check to see if you feel a letter of appreciation is appropriate.

We look forward to receiving your verdict at your earliest convenience before..... as letters need to be sent out to attend the Prize Giving on at 6.00p.m. in Amble to which you are most welcome to attend and give a short speech before the Chairman presents the awards and certificates.

Award winners will be placed in the Northumberland Gazette during early August to enable people to look at the gardens whilst they are still 'blooming.'

Many thanks for your time so freely given- hope the weather is kind to you