

IT'S YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD - MARKING SHEET

Name of group: Greening Our Street	Assessment date: 29th August 2014
Name of assessor: Suzanne Gilfeather	
<p>Introduction: (Please give a brief bit of background about the group / project)</p> <p>Greening our Street aims to improve urban areas around Lauriston Place and the nearby Meadows. This is a very built up, urban area with many users, residential, business and leisure. Within two years the group has made good progress in encouraging others to tidy up, put out window boxes and get involved in wildflower sowing.</p>	
Section A - Community Participation (40% or 40 points)	
<p>The group is working towards things such as: (e.g. involving local people, working in partnership, gaining support)</p> <p>Groups efforts are admirable, and starting to pay dividends...an initiative to encourage residents to display window boxes has been taken up by a small number..but it is a start and will hopefully have a snowball effect on others. Good idea to move the focus further out from Lauriston St and the lovely church garden into the nearby Meadows. Here there are huge expanses of (high maintenance) grass, into which there have been small wildflower sowings...supported by local school and residents...good opportunity to further involve local residents.</p>	
Total points assessed for Section A (out of 40)	20
Section B - Environmental Responsibility (30% or 30 points)	
<p>The group is engaged in environmental activities such as: (e.g. conservation, composting, improving green space, reducing litter and dog fouling)</p> <p>'Greening our Street'..this group aims to do just that, to bring greenery and wildlife into a dense urban area. Improving the biodiversity by doing that, which is especially important in the wildflower project within the Meadows.</p>	
Total points assessed for Section B (out of 30)	15
Gardening Achievement (30% or 30 points)	
<p>The group is employing good gardening practices appropriate to the area, such as: (e.g. good plant choice, creative design, maintenance of plants)</p>	



The Church garden has improved and developed hugely, with a good mix of annuals, perennials, edibles and bee friendly plants.	
Total points assessed for Section C (out of 30)	18
GRAND TOTAL POINTS ASSESSED	53
LEVEL ACHIEVED	Developing

<p>Areas of achievement:</p> <p>Great efforts to engage local residents, and the group is focussed on introducing wildflower areas into the Meadows – this is a great idea and no reason why it should not be successful, especially with support from the council.</p>
<p>Areas for development:</p> <p>Keep trying to engage local residents - as more get involved the easier it will be to get more onboard..keep communication with residents, schools and council departments open.</p>

RESULTS

Level	Description	Points
Level 1	Establishing	0-35
Level 2	Improving	36-52
Level 3	Developing	53-68
Level 4	Thriving	69-85
Level 5	Outstanding	86-100

