

Group name: Strathkinness Floral Display Group

Section A - Community Participation (40% or 40 points)	
<p>The group is working towards things such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Being inclusive of local people Local ownership and direction Making a difference to local people Involving local people with planning, decision-making, communication & implementation Representative of the local community Getting support (e.g. from local council, grant aid, sponsorship, in-kind aid etc.) Planning for the future Working in partnership with other organisations (i.e. police, community support officers, environmental groups etc.) 	
Total points assessed for Section A (out of 40)	40
Section B - Environmental Responsibility (30% or 30 points)	
<p>The group is engaged in environmental activities such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conservation (e.g. resources, heritage, wildlife, built environment) Composting Recycling Creating, maintaining or improving green space Sharing knowledge and skills <p>The group is engaged in addressing environmental issues such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fly-tipping Fly-posting Litter Graffiti Antisocial behaviour Dog fouling 	
Total points assessed for Section B (out of 30)	28
Gardening Achievement (30% or 30 points)	
<p>The group is employing good gardening practices appropriate to the area, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> good plant choice Good maintenance, presentation and management Creativity Innovation Overcoming site difficulties Enhancing the area through gardening 	
Total points assessed for Section C (out of 30)	29
GRAND TOTAL POINTS ASSESSED	97
LEVEL ACHIEVED	Outstanding

Areas of achievement:

Development has now started in the large site in the centre but this and the prospective loss of the community garden has not deterred this group in any way. They have adapted the floral displays to add attractive containers along the fence and to sow an impressive wild flower verge. Work is already underway preparing and clearing the ground at the new site for the community garden. The usual high standard has been maintained with the floral displays in the village. The local primary school has retained its Eco award and the children show a good understanding and a keen interest in the eco-friendly activities.

Areas for development:

This group has not given up on doing something with the Millennium Woodland they are waiting to hear the decision on ownership. They intend to continue the partnership with the primary school. There is the on-going work to bring the new community garden into full production with allotments, poly-tunnels and soft fruit and trees. Fundraising and maintenance of existing floral displays will continue.

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

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