



Grounds and Environmental Services Committee

Date: 14th December 2020

Title: Review of the 2020 in Bloom Campaign

Purpose of the Report: To provide Members with a review of the 2020 Anglia in Bloom campaign.

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Corporate Objective/s		Leighton-Linslade Town Council - Three Year Plan – objective 39 To continue to build on the success of the annual Anglia in Bloom campaign.
Implications:		
Financial		None
Human Resources		None
Operational/Service delivery		None
Procedural/Legal		None
Risk/Health and Safety		None

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

Should members be minded, the proposals are to:

- 1.1 To note the report.
- 1.2 To formally thank all the local volunteers involved in this year’s Leighton-Linslade in Bloom campaign, especially The Friends of Leighton-Linslade in Bloom.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Town Council has continued to oversee this year's Leighton-Linslade in Bloom initiative and the judging this year was cancelled due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.
- 2.2 Continuing on from last year, the key to the successes have been 'Community involvement' where everyone pulls together, gets involved and then delivers. Communities are also recognising the importance of sustainable displays coupled with respectable horticultural standards, delivering outstanding floral displays. These are all achieved through the support from a number of community groups engaged across the town, who are all dedicated to enhancing their community.

3. CONCLUSION

- 3.1 The Leighton-Linslade in Bloom initiative has brightened up the town and makes it a more attractive place to live, work and visit. The excellent accomplishments have been achieved by the Town Council working in partnership with volunteers.
- 3.2 This year standards have slipped slightly from last year's achievements. The outstanding community work, many resourceful projects and superb colourful displays have all added to these standards.
- 3.3 The Town Council wishes to congratulate all the communities and neighbourhoods in the parish, for their enthusiasm, commitment and effort made to improve, develop and sustain our local environments across the town. it is a great credit to you all and would like to take the opportunity to thank its own staff as the Grounds and Environmental Services team do endless amount of work behind the scenes to make the town look lovely all year round.