

Summer 2016

Best Small Village 2014

Dear Resident,

Summer has come at last and with it a sense of urgency: everything – just everything! – has to be right for the **Regional Judges visit to Bray Village Conservation Area on MONDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JULY** after 12 noon.

Planting up gardens in this year's chosen colours - **BLUE, MAUVE, BURGUNDY, PINK** and **WHITE** – is now well under way. Fit in a few extra plants to add volume and depth. Watering, feeding and deadheading are critical as they encourage new growth. Prune carefully to make the most of what you already have – eg shrubs and climbers. Remove anything that has died.

If you need help or advice with anything in your garden please make contact with the Bray in Bloom committee, details at the bottom of this page, who will be pleased to assist.

Use the weekend of 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> July immediately preceding the judging to tidy and sweep, eliminating any litter or weeds on, in front of, and around your plot. **Tidiness and cleanliness COUNTS – it is part of the judging criteria!**

Communal efforts towards the goal of another RHS GOLD Award for the village are:

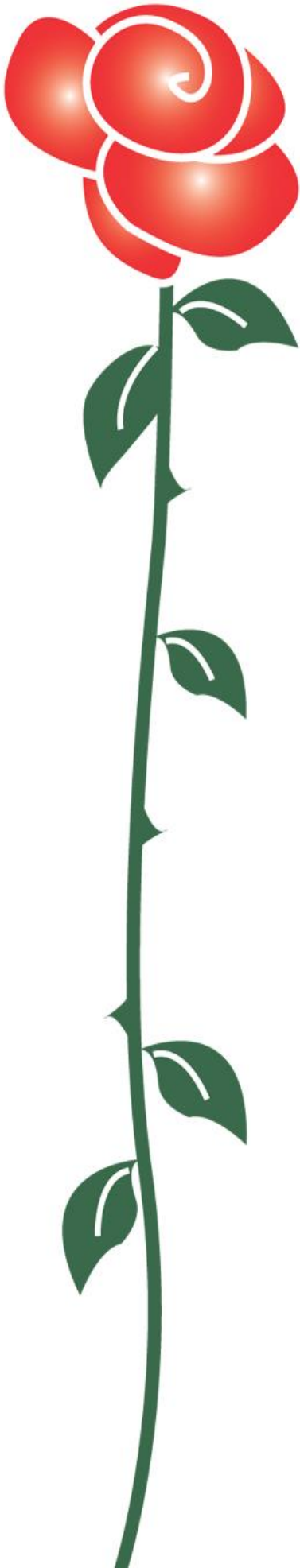
- **LITTER PICK on SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> July, 6pm outside the Village Hall with refreshments afterwards at Sonia & Geoffs (Millwrights).**

Please put this date in your diaries now.

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Once again the Bray in Bloom Committee will be awarding **prizes** for the **Best Hanging Basket**, **Best Front Garden** and **Best Pot or Container** in the Village, all of which should use the Village colour scheme.

Remember that the judges may view the outside of your property from the sides, front and back, so please keep those ivy-covered walls and hedges trim and tidy.

There is a happy sense of joint effort already in existence. Let's foster it and

**Let's Win Again in 2016!**

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