

Titchfield in Bloom - the judging It is hard to put into words the pride I felt as a Titchfield, resident walking round with the South-East England judges yesterday. The village looked magnificent. Every corner weeded and breathtaking displays everywhere. My thanks to everyone who put out their flowers, decorated their windows, opened their gates, welcomed us in, made posters, scarecrows and miniature gardens. Thanks also to those also who swept, weeded, supplied drinks, chatted and gave such positive feedback.



We get no hint from the frantic note writing of the judges what they are thinking. However, we shall know how our village was judged as an entry in South East of England on September 20th. We may receive a certificate, bronze award, silver, silver gilt or gold. As first time ever in bloom in the south east we just don't know until September. We will also be judged for the local Fareham Borough awards the week after. It is a long time to wait.

However, we hope the displays will stay for the summer and we would like anyone who has a pot near them which is not theirs, but is a Titchfield pot, to please give it a drink



What happens next? Well, after a short rest VIB committee will be meeting again. The first task will be to replace the geraniums (keeping them for next year) and the filling of the village green containers, large containers and the wheelbarrow with tulip bulbs for spring colour. A lot of people have said they have liked the look so much that they will keep their containers out with winter pansies etc.



We are also holding our own little award ceremony for a number of categories so I hope the blooms are still there for us to photograph and decide. If you have won anything you will be contacted and invited to the Parish rooms for your award on Monday September 4th in the evening.

I think we can definitely say, however, we are all winners this year.

Thank you
Gloria Hunt and the VIB committee

