

Cumbria in Bloom Update May 2020

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Last month you should have received a poster and link to the re-vamped website www.cumbria-in-bloom.org.uk If you haven't looked already – it changes most days with new pictures and stories etc.

Hence this communication – we really want you to let us know what you are up to. No excuses as the weather is perfect for being outside and busy doing things for our own and others enjoyment, helping the environment and being more self sufficient for sustenance. Just think about what good you are doing for your health and wellbeing as well as everyone else.

Please, please, please send in photos, short stories, updates of projects from your own garden, business premises, public spaces – anything to share with others and keep in touch.

To add to what you are going to send in and as a reward we will be running an informal competition for you to take part in. Kirkoswald is intending to organise something along the following lines and if we could persuade other communities to do the same as well, there could be a CiB village/town final and category winners through the CiB website. Another option is for individuals, groups, schools, tourism establishments to send in photos before September direct to admin@cumbria-in-bloom.org.uk for putting on the website and being judged by CiB. All that is needed is a contact name and phone number or email address and which category (categories) your three photos (per category) are for.

3 photos taken in June of this year to be forwarded electronically to us, and then an anonymous panel (this is a small village!) can award a certificate for the best garden in each of the following categories:

1. *Large and lovely: for larger gardens*
2. *Abundant and productive: for allotments*
3. *Petite and pretty: for patios, yards and window boxes*
4. *Wonderful for wildlife: planting and homes for pollinators, wildlife and more*
5. *and with (Big Drumroll) Best garden overall*

The only criteria would be 'Would I like to spend time in that garden'?

Email Photos etc. to admin@cumbria-in-bloom.org.uk

