

# COUNTRYWISE

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## BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION 2021

### Low Burnham score hat trick of wins as best small village



The judges were impressed with 'the exceptional planting and floral displays throughout this delightful village' which were 'a visual feast'. The involvement and commitment of residents is outstanding and they can feel proud of their success, in winning the Best Kept small village for the third year in a row. An impressive achievement in a hotly contested category.

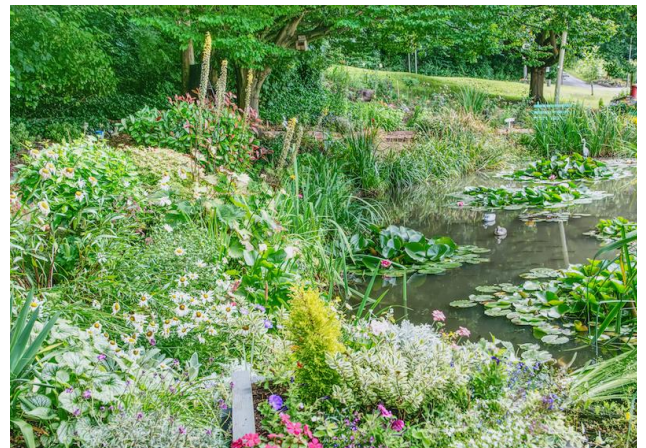


#### Small village results

- 1<sup>st</sup> Low Burnham
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Amcotts
- 3<sup>rd</sup>= Elsham, Redbourne
- Highly commended, Normanby*



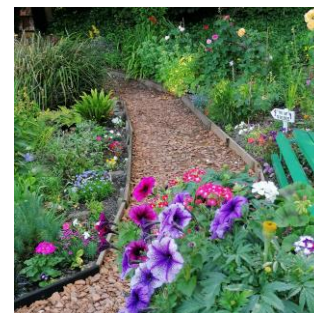
### Most imaginative planting



The **Horse Pond at South Ferriby** (above) was judged to be the most imaginative planting in this year's competition. The clever use of a variety of plants and the attention to detail were most impressive.

The area includes a very well-maintained path, leading to 'The Fairies', with further imaginative planting around the pond (see below).

Visitors will have seen the excellent planting, that is a feature of the village, and the dedicated team responsible, deserve every congratulation.



## Scawby scoops award as Best Kept Large Village

Having been highly commended in 2020, Scawby won the award as the best kept large village for 2021. Excellent community planting was a delightful feature of the village and The Green (see right) was a particularly attractive area.

Hibaldstow is to be congratulated for its second place, with many splendid gardens and good community planting contributing to its success.

Haxey and Westwoodside deserved their third place and the strong competition in the large village category was recognised by the judges, who also highly commended Barrow, Belton and Messingham. Indeed, all the villages that entered this year impressed the judges and deservedly scored high marks.



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The Green, Scawby, with war memorial in foreground



St Hybald's Church - Hibaldstow

### Large village results

1<sup>st</sup> Scawby

2<sup>nd</sup> Hibaldstow

3<sup>rd</sup> Haxey, Westwoodside

*Highly commended, Barrow, Belton, Messingham*



### Best Community Planting

Good Community planting is an important feature of the Best Kept Village competition and there were some very imaginative and colourful floral displays this year.

The worthy winners (right) had fabulous displays but there was also some splendid planting in: Barnetby-le-Wold, Barrow-on-Humber, Brigg, Broughton, Haxey, Redbourne and Worlaby.

*Illustrated, clockwise from top right, are displays from: Low Burnham, Immingham and South Ferriby.*

### Best Community Planting Results

Small village – Low Burnham

Medium village – South Ferriby

Large village – Scawby

Small town - Immingham



## Worlaby wins medium village award for second year

With successive wins in this category, Worlaby had some excellent community planting (see below), and the delightful churchyard is an impressive feature of the village.

A close second was Barnetby-le-



Wold which is a very tidy and well-cared for village, with a splendid range of community planting (an example on right).

South Ferriby, which deservedly won the best community planting accolade, achieved third place.

### Medium village results

- 1<sup>st</sup> Worlaby
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Barnetby-le-Wold
- 3<sup>rd</sup> South Ferriby
- Highly commended*  
Appleby, Wrawby



## Broughton is Best Small Town

The standard was very high in the small town category (over 4,000 population) and Broughton were worthy winners. The judges commented: 'the quality of planting was impressive and a testament to the enthusiasm and dedication of the Broughton in Bloom



group of volunteers'.

The work of a similar group in Waltham has led to their success in achieving second place, beating last year's winners Epworth who came third.

The strength of competition was demonstrated by three highly commended awards to Brigg, Crowle and Immingham.

One notable feature of this year's competition was the general absence of litter in all the villages and towns.

CPRE Environment Awards for 2021 will recognise the excellent work of a number of groups of litter-picking volunteers.



### Small town results

- 1<sup>st</sup> Broughton
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Waltham
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Epworth
- Highly commended*, Brigg, Crowle and Ealand, Immingham



## Best Kept Playground

West Butterwick (right) can be proud of their very smart and well-maintained playground which won this year's award.



There are some splendid playgrounds across northern Lincolnshire and it proved to be a difficult decision for the judges. They were particularly impressed with other

playgrounds at Garthorpe and Fockerby, Owston Ferry, Burton-upon-Stather and Scawby; all likely to provide strong competition for next year.

## Best Kept War Memorial



The Crowle and Ealand war memorial (above) is a striking feature on the High Street and a worthy winner of this year's competition.

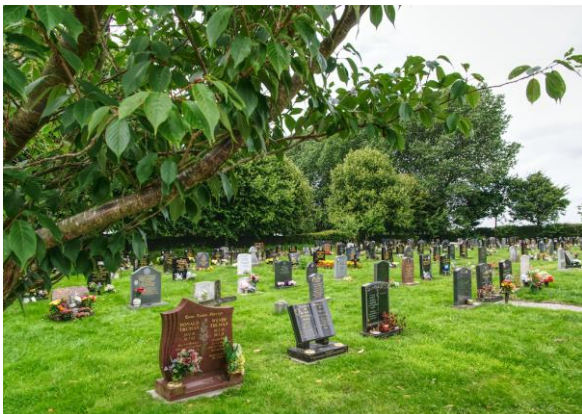
The memorial benefits

from some splendid planting around the site.

The memorial at Amcotts (below) was a close second.



## Best Kept Cemetery



The winner of the best kept cemetery or churchyard for 2021 was Immingham Cemetery (left). The cemetery, on Mill Lane, is very well-maintained and benefits from two attractive memorial gardens at the entrance to the site.

There are many attractive churchyards and cemeteries across northern Lincolnshire, with strong contenders for this year's award, including Broughton, Burton-upon-Stather, Crowle, Goxhill, Waltham and Worlaby.

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