

Bognor Regis in Bloom

The local community improving the local environment in 2025

Bognor Regis in Bloom is a competition for the residents and communities of the five wards of Bognor Regis to help make the town a nicer place to live, shop, work and visit, while importantly focusing on what we can do in our gardens to help the battle against climate change.

To look after your soil, use your own compost and don't dig deeply; Don't collect grass when mowing and leave a section of your lawn to grow long until the autumn;

Only buy peat-free fertiliser; Use rainwater from butts where possible;

Bedding from a nursery is not carbon friendly. Grow your own and use more perennials; Plant a tree or if that is not possible in your garden, use more shrubs;

Hard surfaces don't hold carbon – grass and plant cover does;

You don't need to be ultra tidy, insects, beetles, etc. love a mucky heap of logs and sticks;

Consider insects and birds when gardening. Ladybirds, bees, wasps, butterflies, moths and dragonflies are all beneficial to your plants;

Reduce - Reuse - Recycle - Reinvest.

This is a free competition and has categories to encourage everyone to take part, including some brand new ones for 2025! Entrants must live within the wards of Bognor Regis with the exception of category 10.

You may nominate a friend, relative or neighbour but please ask for their permission before doing so.

- 1. Best front garden, any size.
- 2. Best residential balcony, window box, hanging basket or container.
- 3. Best edible front garden (New!).
- 4. Best business frontage to include window boxes, hanging baskets, etc.
- 5. Best neighbourhood, street, locality or residents association, sheltered or residential accommodation.
- 6. Best sustainable, environmentally- and (New!) wildlife-friendly planting to include back gardens.
- 7. Best 'community space' to include pub and other eatery gardens (New!).
- 8. Best impactful display of sunflowers (New!).
- 9. Best flower or vegetable plot designed and looked after by a child <u>at home</u>, up to and including 15 years at the time of judging (July 2025).
- 10. Best vegetable plot <u>at a school</u>. This last category is for all schools in the five wards plus Pagham, Aldwick, Bersted and Felpham Parishes.

It is anticipated that entries will be judged during July – please note, for some categories, where access is not required, you will not be advised of the date of judging.

Photographs will be taken by the judges at the time of judging to be displayed at the Awards Ceremony.

All entry forms eligible for Bognor Regis in Bloom competition will be entered into a draw and one successful entrant present at the Awards ceremony, date to be notified, will win a £25 gift voucher.

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You may enter up to three categories.	Please state which categories entered:		
e of Entrant/Nominee			
Address of garden or premises being entered			
		e, addresses and telepho	ne number of nominator (if not as above)
•	ed entry by <mark>Saturday, 28th June 2025</mark> to Bognor Regis in Bloom, n Council, Town Hall, Clarence Road, Bognor Regis, PO21 1LD.		
ngnor Regis are doing to he get in the future. Even if you	ts to fill in the following so that we can have an idea of what the gardeners elp in the fight against Climate Change, and to leave our children a better have answered before, please update us again. No marks will be lost or ed on their merit.		
Do you have water butts'	?How many?		
Do you compost your ga	rden and kitchen waste?How many bins?		
Do you only buy peat-fro	ee compost?		
Do you have bird feeder	s, nest boxes?		
Do you have spaces for	insects, bees, etc.?If so, what?		
Do you have a greenhou	se?Do you grow-your-own?		
Do you have a diverse s	election of plants in your garden, i.e. annuals, perennials, shrubs, trees?		
Are you an organic gard	ener?		
Do you have a hedgeho	g highway on your borders?		
Do you leave an area of	your lawn uncut or reduce cutting to encourage wildlife and flowers?		
Do you leave an area of	your garden with rotting twigs and leaves to encourage wildlife?		
Do you have a wildlife po	and regardless of size down to a washing-up bowl?		
Do you leave fresh water	er out for birds and insects during very hot spells?		
Have you made gaps at	the foot of your fences to allow hedgehogs to wander free?		
Reading the above, has	it given you other ideas on how <u>you</u> can increase diversity? Yes/No <i>Your comments will be welcomed</i>		
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