

WEEDON WINS!



WEEDON has won the **GURNEY CUP** (for villages with a population of 500 and under) in the Bucks Best Kept Village competition, and we have also been awarded the **SWORD OF EXCELLENCE** as the highest-marked winner in any category.

Weedon's score was **86%**. We scored no lower than 70% on any one feature, with full marks on the park, children's play area, nature conservation areas and noticeboards, and a fantastic **93%** on overall appearance and evidence of community effort. The judges were extremely complimentary in their remarks, as you can see in the detailed table opposite.

The Lord Lieutenant Sir Henry Aubrey-Fletcher will present the awards to winning villages on 17th Sept.

WEEDON PRESENTATION

2.15 pm

Saturday 17th September

OUTSIDE THE FIVE ELMS

Come along and let's celebrate this great success together.

BEST KEPT VILLAGE WEEDON MARK SCHEDULE 2016

Judges' Comments

Score

The chapel graveyard next to the Methodist Chapel surrounds were presented well and grounds maintained.

8/10

The War Memorial next to the Chapel was tidy and clean with a wreath fixed in situ. The toilet was a welcome feature.

7/10

The green at the crossroads was immaculately prepared and managed with a soft surface walkway.

10/10

The play area within the same grounds was very well equipped and constructed.

10/10

The wild area near the Hall [Lilies] has a gateway entrance and is festooned with good broadleaf foliage.

5/5

The Old School Room is used as the village hall and its surroundings are well maintained. The panel were provided with a regular booking sheet of all sorts of community events and functions that are available for hire.

7/10

The verges within the village were tidy. The village pump, dated 1877, was well presented with good maintained surroundings. The pond was a revelation and very well managed and clean, with resident Aylesbury ducks and lodgings.

8/10

The panel learnt that the Five Elms public house has recently come into the ownership of the village residents through a community purchase. The surroundings were neat and well presented.

4/5

[As Weedon has no shop or bus shelter, these features are scored at the average rate of others in the same category ie. the pub.]

No shop, bus shelter

so averaged

4/5 and 4/5

The notice boards were full of current community information including a BBKV notice as well as a competition Merit award from a past BKV entry.

5/5

The map and the Principal Features narrative provided were clear and informative. Overall it is a very neat and compact village with no evidence of pockets of litter.

14/15

TOTAL SCORE

86/100