

Best Kept Village 2022

WEEDON WINS



WEEDON has won the **GURNEY CUP** (for villages with a population of 500 and under) in the Bucks Best Kept Village competition 2022.

We also won the Gurney Cup in 2018 and 2016 (before that in 1997 and 1973), and there was no competition in 2020 and 2021.

Weedon's overall score was **95.5%** with full marks for the Chapel graveyard, War Memorial and Old Schoolroom village hall (*see details on next page*).

Joanna Rose, Chair of Weedon Parish Council, accepted the cup and certificate from the Chairman of the Competition Bill Chapple OBE. She said:

“As a small village, Weedon’s monetary resources are limited. But its community commitment is second to none. The award of the Best Kept Village is a tribute to that. Thank you all.”

BEST KEPT VILLAGE WEEDON MARK SCHEDULE 2022

<u>Category and Judges' Comments</u>	<u>Score</u>
<p>Cemetery/Graveyard Graveyard exceptionally tidy ... full marks.</p>	20/20
<p>War Memorial War memorial very well maintained.</p>	20/20
<p>Green, Playing Field, Children's Play Area, Nature Conservation Area Green, playing field exceptionally well maintained and mowed. Queen's Canopy planting noted.</p>	38/40
<p>Floral Displays Floral displays good. Planters at entrances under village signs might be an idea.</p>	8/10
<p>Village Hall Village hall very tidy outside and obviously well used. Full marks given.</p>	20/20
<p>General Environmental Features (hedges, verges, pond, pump etc) Hedges and verges very well kept with a beautiful floral display at the pump. The pond is well kept.</p>	19/20
<p>Areas around Shops and Pubs The Five Elms pub was extremely well looked after. Lovely hanging baskets.</p>	19/20
<p>Bus stops, Bus shelters and Noticeboards No evidence of litter. Noticeboard up to date and displaying BKV poster.</p>	19/20
<p>Overall appearance, Lack of litter, Evidence of community effort Overall appearance very good with virtually no litter at all. Clear evidence of community involvement.</p>	28/30
<p>A good map was provided with really useful additional information. It was a pleasure to walk around the village ... a clear winner and very well deserved.</p>	
TOTAL SCORE	191/200