

Haughley Parish in Bloom: Annual Report 2024



Councillors Alison Pepper and Yvonne Tricker have taken over the Haughley Parish In Bloom co-ordinators on behalf of Haughley Parish Council from former Councillor Yvonne Hannan from October 2023. Thanks to Yvonne Hannan for her hard work and dedication over the past nine years.

It was decided to rename the working party from Haughley In Bloom to Haughley Parish In Bloom to incorporate Haughley Green and Haughley New Street, bringing the whole parish of Haughley together as one.

Year 2024 will be Councillors Pepper and Tricker's first year leading and working with an existing working group and also welcoming some new parishioners of Haughley Parish to support HPIB. Before Autumn planting, contact was made with the adopted planter parishioners thanking them for their continued support. Autumn planting was kept to a minimum, although daffodil bulb planting for Spring display was undertaken at Haughley Green underneath Gateways.

Two planters have been made by a Haughley New Street resident and added to the Parish planter programme for Haughley New Street which have been situated beneath the two new Gateways.

All planters have been assessed for damage and erosion. Three planters have had repair work carried out by Parish Handyman 'Paul' and all have been deemed in good repair ready for summer planting.

HPIB Budget for 2024/25 was devised and agreed the sum of £1,590.50p from the Parish Council. Two new planters made from recyclable materials, for Fishponds Way, were included in the Year 2023 budget plan and have been agreed via a CIL Application. They were ordered and the planters have been delivered to their site ready for the planting programme.

Currently the team are gathering ideas and thoughts with regard to the planning and scheduling of summer planting. It is envisaged that the summer planting programme will commence towards the end of May 2024 with the working group being involved and that HPIB would continue purchasing from Woolpit Nursery when the selected plants are ready and available.

For the future it is proposed that the existing planters at Plashwood/The Folly junction and the Moat will be replaced by new recyclable planters.

Our aim for the future is to work closely with the Biodiversity Group to further improve our Parish.

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Haughley Parish In Bloom Coordinators