



The countryside charity
Nottinghamshire



BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION 2024: Letter to entrants

Dear Colleague

The Best Kept Village Competition has had a long and distinguished history in Nottinghamshire, where it has been organised by the Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) for over 50 years. Unfortunately, in recent years it has not been possible to run the Competition because of restrictions imposed due to the Covid-19 outbreak and the ill-health of some of the organisers. We are pleased to announce that the Competition will run in 2024 when Notts CPRE will have the support of both Notts ALC and RCAN. CPRE will mainly focus on the judging.

The organisers recognise the level of community involvement and the care for the natural and built environment which turns a settlement into a living village. Our judges are looking for evidence of general community involvement such as up-to-date notices of local events, footpath maps and signs of care for the village by those who live there. Newly dropped pieces of litter will not lose as many points as will old pieces of disintegrating paper, cans, etc. Judges are aware of problems created by through traffic and these are taken into consideration when marking. EVERY village has a chance of winning a prize.

The organisers would like to emphasise the need for entrants to provide a map. Judges' time can be wasted trying to find features that may or may not be in your village.

Our Competition helps to support and promote local projects and community effort. This is a competition that you can enter and involve your parishioners in making your village a more attractive place to live.

We look forward to receiving your entry this year.

Yours sincerely

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