Best Front Garden

Terms and conditions

1. **Eligibility:**
    - The competition is open to residents of Great Chart, Singleton and Chilmington.
    - Participants must be the property owners or have permission from the property owner to enter the competition.
    - Entries must feature the front garden of a residential property.
2. **Entry Submission:**
    - Entries must be submitted by 15th June 2026.
    - Each entry must include at least 3 photographs of the front garden, with one photograph showing the entire garden.
    - Entries can be submitted via email or WhatsApp
3. **Judging Criteria:**

    Gardens will be judged based on the following criteria:

    - **Overall Best Front Garden:** This category recognises the garden that demonstrates exceptional design, maintenance, and curb appeal in all the categories.
    - **Most Creative Front Garden:** This category celebrates innovative and unique garden designs, including creative use of plants, landscaping features, and decorative elements.
    - **Best Small Front Garden (up to 15m^2):** This category is specifically for smaller front gardens or spaces, highlighting how creativity and effective design can maximise limited space.
    - **Best Flower Display:** Celebrating gardens with the most stunning and vibrant floral displays, including beds, borders, and hanging baskets.
    - **Best Wildlife-Friendly Front Garden:** Recognising gardens that provide habitat and resources for local wildlife, such as birds, butterflies, and bees, through the use of native plants, bird feeders, and wildlife-friendly features.
    - The decision of the judging panel is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
4. **Judging Panel:**

- The judging panel will consist of 5 members of the Parish Council including members of the Environment Committee.
- Judges will visit the shortlisted gardens in person to make their final decisions.

5. **Prizes:**
   - Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 gardens in each category

     1st Prize - £50 Garden Gift Voucher

     2nd Prize - £30 Garden Gift Voucher

     3rd Prize - £20 Garden Gift voucher.
   - The overall winner will receive **£100 Garden Gift Voucher**
   - Prizes are non-transferable and cannot be exchanged for cash.
6. **Announcement of Winners:**
   - Winners will be announced on **31st July 2026**.
   - Winners will be notified by email
   - A prize-giving ceremony will be held on **14th August 2026** at Singleton Environment Centre
7. **General Conditions:**
   - By entering the competition, participants agree to allow Great Chart with Singleton Parish Council to use photographs and information about their gardens for promotional purposes.
   - Participants agree to maintain the condition of their gardens as represented in their entry until the judging is completed.
   - Great Chart with Singleton Parish Council reserves the right to disqualify any entry that does not comply with these terms and conditions.
8. **Liability:**
   - Great Chart with Singleton Parish Council is not responsible for any damage or injury resulting from participation in the competition.
   - Participants are responsible for ensuring their garden is safe and accessible for the judges.
9. **Privacy:**
   - Personal information provided by participants will be used solely for the purpose of administering the competition and will not be shared with third parties without consent.
10. **Amendments:**
    - Great Chart with Singleton Parish Council reserves the right to amend these terms and conditions at any time. Any changes will be communicated to participants promptly.

For more information or any queries regarding the competition, please contact theclerk@greatchartsingleton-pc.gov.uk