

Best Kept Village Marking Sheet

BRIGSLEY

Points

		Max	Mark	Judges' Comments
1	General Tidiness & Appearance Litter, fly tipping, graffiti, including at bus stops & telephone boxes. General maintenance of hedges, trees, verges, fences, walls, paths and seats	40	37	This is a generally tidy village with only a few areas on Waltham Road, including the bus shelter, with litter. The verges and hedges were generally well-maintained. Footpaths were in fairly good condition but there were weeds in the gutter along parts of St Helen's Crescent.
2	Community Facilities Community centres, village halls, schools, parks, playing fields, churchyards/cemeteries, chapel surrounds, war memorials and public noticeboards	40	35	The churchyard has a lovely setting but there were a number of areas that required attention. The village hall (Harbour Lights Harmony Club) is a useful facility but there were weeds growing along the wall. The playground behind the hall has a limited range of fairly old equipment and would benefit from the grass being cut. The village noticeboard on Church Lane was good and up-to-date but the one on Waltham Road needs some renovation.
3	Gardens & Community Areas Gardens, window boxes, hanging baskets, tubs and planters, community planting, public areas, and allotments	50	44	There is an attractive grassed triangle at the junction of Waltham Road and Church Lane with bushes. Behind the triangle was a flagged area with a unique bench, with the village name forming part of the back, but unfortunately there was quite a lot of litter on the site. Residents are to be commended for some lovely gardens and colourful planting, notably: Willow Cottage, Litchfields, and Church View on Church Lane; Tudor Cot, The Hollies and Fallowfield on Waltham Road; 6 St Helen's Crescent; Walnut House, Old Chapel, Hunter's Gate, Moorings and especially The Thatch on Waithe Lane. The lack of community planting does limit the score in this section.
4	Other community features Shops, inns, farmsteads, workshops, business premises, advertisements and signposts	20	18	The village signpost on Waltham Road needed cleaning and the other sign at the southern end of the village was partially obscured by bushes.
Total		150	134	

Notes

- (a) Absence of a feature listed in the marking sheet will not entail a loss of marks
- (b) Natural and architectural beauty will not be considered

General comments

Residents are to be commended for some delightful gardens and planting. The village would be even more attractive with some community planting. There are a few areas that would benefit from some attention, especially the churchyard.

Individual Category Entries: BRIGSLEY

This village has also entered the individual category/ies ticked below. Mark in addition to the general marking. If there is no tick, then no separate marking is required.

✓	Category	Max	Mark	Comments
	Playground	50		
✓	Churchyard	50	44	The churchyard occupies a very pleasant site with attractive mature trees to the north and east side, but there are a number of areas that could be improved. The steps up to the church need weeding and the borders need some attention. The grass in several areas of the churchyard was rather long and there were weeds in and around a number of graves. There is an interesting area to the east of the church down some steps (which need clearing of debris).
	Community planting scheme	50		
	War Memorial	50		