

Buckinghamshire Best Kept Village Competition 2025 – DeFraine Cup

VILLAGE/TOWN: STEEPLE CLAYDON			Score	Possible Marks
1	Cemetery/graveyard (separate or attached to a place of worship)	A beautiful and peaceful churchyard, well maintained and cared for.	20	20
2	Green, playing field, children's play area, outdoor recreation facilities, designated nature conservation area	Great space with good play equipment, including skateboard ramp and adult gym equipment. Vicarage Close conservation area very pleasant with information boards and good woodchip paths. Some litter and loose logs defining path edges could be secured as they are a tripping hazard. The new play area (by the Coop) is being well looked after.	32	35
3	Floral displays, hanging baskets, tubs, planters, flower beds etc	Planters at the Village Hall need a bit of attention. Others around the village are very good	12	15
4	Community facilities (Village Hall, Community Centre, Church Hall	The Village Hall is well maintained and the car park clean and tidy. The church hall looked clean, tidy and very inviting. Foodbank in church. PC operated community library.	20	20
5	General environmental features (hedges, verges, ditches, pond, stream, pump etc.)	Remembrance garden is well tended and a quiet peaceful place with good seating. The pump and enclosure is well maintained and an attractive feature.	20	20
6	Shops and Pubs	The car park and surrounds of the "new" Coop were mainly tidy, with only very minor litter. The "green wall" is interesting. Chip Shop and Molly's Cafe were clean and tidy outside. Good flower baskets outside the Prince of Wales.	19	20
7	Bus stops, bus shelters, public seating, dog bins, notice boards, information signs	Notice boards very good, up to date and informative. Bus shelter is clean and tidy.	19	20
8	War memorial (Please include a photograph if the memorial is inside a locked building)	Memorial in the church to those lost in the first world war is simple, but well tended and clearly respected.	20	20
9	Quality of Competition entry - up to date and detailed map with features highlighted	Maps provided were very informative with all relevant areas clearly noted.	10	10

10	Evidence of community engagement (eg website, newsletter, magazine, posters and general community involvement in the Competition)	Very good PC website including events calendar. Helpful links. Community tab includes BKV and how to get involved.	20	20
	Additional Notes		192	200