

IT'S YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD AWARDS - ASSESSOR(S) REPORT

Entry:	Bowersdale Resource Centre			Date:	13 th July 2023
Assessor(s):	Tracey Williams / Dave Bielawski				
Total Marks:	66	Level:	3	Award:	Advancing

SECTION A Community Participation	Possible Marks	Marks Awarded
Has a neighbourhood action team been formed?	15	11
Has there been an attempt to engage with the neighbourhood and other bodies?	25	18
TOTAL SECTION A	40	29
SECTION B Environmental Quality		
Was the area clean and tidy?	15	10
Has there been any environmental initiatives undertaken e.g. recycling, composting undertaken by the neighbourhood?	15	10
TOTAL SECTION B	30	20
SECTION C Gardening Achievement		
Design features, plant choice and impact	10	6
Standard of maintenance	10	5
Enhancement through creativity and innovation	5	3
Has gardening improved the area?	5	3
TOTAL SECTION C	30	17
TOTAL POINTS AWARDED	100	66

Areas of Achievement:

It was a delight to meet the staff and service users at this new IYN entry. The passion and enthusiasm was clearly evident from everyone we met.

Considering you haven't been in existence for very long. You have done well to establish a variety of fruit trees and vegetables. The area was relatively weed-free and it was good to see various initiatives to encourage wildlife from bird houses and bug hotels to a pond to attract insects and frogs.

There was also a nice display of flowers and shrubs to add a splash of colour to the entrance to your building.

Areas for Development: Maybe try to include more perennial plants and shrubs to reduce the burden of annual planting, although we understand any possible reluctance in case they are stolen.

Also continue to build on your links with the wider community, including businesses.

Good luck with your future plans and well done to everyone involved. Keep up the good work and don't let the vandalism and theft that you have experienced put you off entering in the future.