

**Malmesbury in Bloom Competitions/presentation evening**

**1. Purpose of report**

- 1.1 To determine if the Town Council will hold the Malmesbury in Bloom competitions ie gardens, children's art and presentation evening.
- 1.2 If agreed to hold the events, to allocate a budget.

**2. Background**

- 2.1 The Garden competition entries in previous years had become less popular with residents but last year & the year before had increased in popularity.
- 2.2 The Schools are invited to enter art work or photographs on behalf of the children & also individuals are invited to enter.
- 2.3 A presentation evening is held on a Friday evening in September, the children's awards take place early in the evening and the garden competition awards take place later.
- 2.4 Sponsors of the floral displays are also invited to the presentation evening as a gesture of thanks.
- 2.5 Expenditure last year totalled £193.54

**3. Proposal**

- 3.1 That members determine whether or not to hold the event in 2019
- 3.2 If so, a budget is agreed in line with previous years' expenditure.
- 3.3 If so, a working Party is formed and Terms of Reference agreed (appendix 1 to this report)

**4. Financial implications and risks**

- 4.1 A budget is allocated to hold the event, to be determined by Councillors.

**5. Recommendation**

- 5.1 The Committee is requested to note the proposals at 3.1-3.3 and determine a course of action.