



Green fingers at  
the ready ...  
could St Arvans  
be Gwent 's Best  
Kept Village  
2018?

In recent years, our lovely village has given GAVO judges the  
*"impression of a well-maintained village with trimmed verges, clean,  
tidy " ... "with gardens well-kept and in some cases excellent and eye-  
catching" etc.*

GAVO judges noted very few areas for improvement e.g. *some weeds  
on pavements* (MCC may spray in time) and *more evidence of the  
involvement of children*

They have been asked to consider new (for 2017):

- evidence of environmentally friendly initiatives e.g. areas within the village that have been left for pollination, bird boxes, insect houses etc.
- conservation efforts e.g. external evidence on village halls/community centres of energy efficiency and environmental activities.

... so anything we can do to address these will improve our score.

**Meanwhile, St Arvans Gardening Club (in conjunction with the Community Council Environment sub-group) will once again be judging early in June**  
Best Kept Garden (fronting the roadway)  
Hanging basket display (single or multiple)

