## Anglia in Bloom 2018 Swaffham

Having spoken to Jonathan from the Community Centre he informs that that Sarah will be producing the portfolio this year on behalf of the Town Team. Hopefully the community garden will be well on its way in time for the judging day. The town team will be deciding the groups we will be entering for Swaffham in Bloom which will be discussed during the next Town Team meeting on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May, Swaffham in Bloom has been allocated £750 from the Council towards plants and compost for Floral displays. I would like to thank the Community Centre and the Town Team for their dedication and hard work.

As a matter of interest a programme called Britain in Bloom was highlighted on BBC2 last week, a village called Wednesfield the place I lived for 50 years was featured. The village has a population of mixed ethnic residents, and when the local council cut back the people of Wednesfield decided to 'Go for Gold' in 2017. Wednesfield is not what you would call a pretty area, but by pulling together as a community, the sheik temple, The Village Church, Schools and the local community turned a dull shabby village into a carpet of colour by working together,... they achieved a GOLD.

Also another town in the West Midlands was highlighted, an interesting point was mentioned by the visitors that were interviewed they were impressed by the visual effect in the town and said that it encouraged them to repeatedly re visit the area.

We will of course do our best to do Swaffham proud and would like to thank Graham and the outside staff who do a sterling job not just at this time but throughout the year to keep Swaffham looking at its best.