



# NL in BLOOM 2026

# APPLICATION FORM

Closing  
Date:  
**31st JULY  
2026**



The **NL in Bloom** Annual Gardening Competition is open only to tenants of **North Lanarkshire Council**

# Your Garden Awards - Competition

Every year the “Your Garden” awards celebrate the passion and hard work that has created some stunning gardens across North Lanarkshire and helped improve the local environment.

So if you or your neighbours have a garden to be proud of, then why not take part in this year’s competition?

Applications can be made by individuals or groups or you can nominate a neighbour, relative, friend or a group of residents who you consider to have an award winning garden.



## Categories

### CATEGORY 1: Best Individual Garden Award

The award is open to an individual address and the garden must be maintained by a member of the household.

One winner per locality.

- ☀️ **Airdrie & Cumbernauld**
- ☀️ **Coatbridge, Kilsyth & Villages and Northern Corridor**
- ☀️ **Motherwell & Bellshill**
- ☀️ **Wishaw & Shotts**

### CATEGORY 2: Best Shared/Communal Garden Award

You live in a household that shares a garden space with others eg four in a block, low/high rise flats or supported accommodations etc your entry must be in a group as a collective name rather than an individual, for example ‘Residents of North Lanarkshire Complex’ Please select one nominated person who we will be able to contact.

One winner per locality.

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- ☀️ **Coatbridge, Kilsyth & Villages and Northern Corridor**
- ☀️ **Motherwell & Bellshill**
- ☀️ **Wishaw & Shotts**

### Category 3: Best Use of Space Award

The award is open to individuals or a shared space who have made the most of the space they have available eg a veranda or containers/hanging baskets.

One winner per locality.

- ☀️ **Airdrie & Cumbernauld**
- ☀️ **Coatbridge, Kilsyth & Villages and Northern Corridor**
- ☀️ **Motherwell & Bellshill**
- ☀️ **Wishaw & Shotts**

### CATEGORY 4: Best Garden Transformation

The award is open to individuals or a shared space who have made an improvement to their garden/ space over the last year (before and after photos would be beneficial)

One winner per locality.

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- ☀️ **Motherwell & Bellshill**
- ☀️ **Wishaw & Shotts**

### Category 5: Sustainable Garden Award

The award is open to those using their space to grow their own food or growing plants specifically to help pollinating insects.

One winner per locality.

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## Entry Criteria

- ☀ Only North Lanarkshire Council tenants can be nominated for the individual garden award and the garden **MUST** be maintained by a member of that household
- ☀ For the shared/communal garden award the majority of residents **MUST** be North Lanarkshire Council tenants
- ☀ Awards are for gardens of any size

## Judging Criteria

The gardens will be judged on:

- ☀ Quality of floral display - colour, form, composition
- ☀ Quality of permanent planting - variety, year round interest and scent
- ☀ Quality of design and use of space - imagination, use of colour and depth
- ☀ Contribution to the visual environment - impact on the street/neighbourhood
- ☀ Effort and enthusiasm

## Prizes

Successful winners from each locality will be invited to a special prize giving celebration event, which will take place on Wednesday 3rd September 2026. All winners will be notified at least 2 weeks prior to the celebration event.

**Localities:**

- ☀ **Airdrie and Cumbernauld**
- ☀ **Coatbridge, Kilsyth & Villages, and Northern Corridor**
- ☀ **Bellshill and Motherwell**
- ☀ **Wishaw and Shotts**



# North Lanarkshire In Bloom, Garden Competition 2026

## Entry Form

To nominate yourself, please enter your details below.

If you wish to nominate a neighbour/relative/friend/group, see overleaf.

Your name: .....

Your address: .....

..... Your postcode: .....

Your tel number: ..... Your E mail: .....

If you wish to receive e-mail alerts and information from North Lanarkshire Council please tick

If you wish to receive e-mail alerts and information from Tenant Participation please tick

How did you hear about these awards? .....

Please tick the category you are entering: **Best Individual Garden**    **Best Shared/Communal Garden**

**Best Use of Space Award**    **Most Improved Award**    **Sustainable Garden Award**    **Young Gardener Award**

### ENTRY ADVICE

As well as completing this form, all nominations should include photographs. These can be printed and posted to the TP team or emailed to [TenantParticipation@northlan.gov.uk](mailto:TenantParticipation@northlan.gov.uk) however we can also visit the gardens if this is not possible. Council staff may be in touch for further supporting evidence before judging. Should you have any enquiries, please contact the TP team via email or by phone at 07890 438431.

Please cut entry form out and return to:

**North Lanarkshire Council, Enterprise & Communities - Tenant Participation, 3rd Floor Civic Centre, Windmillhill Street, Motherwell ML1 1AB**

# Entry Form

To nominate a neighbour, relative, friend, group etc please complete the following information.

Their name: .....

Their address: ..... Their postcode: .....

..... Their email: .....

Their tel number: .....

Brief description of their entry:

Please tick the category you are nominating this person/group for:

**Best Individual Garden**    **Best Shared/Communal Garden**    **Best Use of Space Award**

**Most Improved Award**    **Sustainable Garden Award**

Do you wish to be identified as having submitted the nomination: **Yes**    **No**



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# Housing Offices

## Airdrie

Airdrie First Stop Shop  
10 Bank Street  
Airdrie ML6 6AF  
01236 758035

## Kilsyth

Parkfoot Street  
Kilsyth G65 9AA  
Tel: 01236 828120

## Viewpark

135 Burnhead Street  
Viewpark G71 5DD  
Tel: 01698 403700



## Bellshill

26 Motherwell Road  
Bellshill ML4 1RE  
Tel: 01698 332340

## Moodiesburn

Blackwoods Crescent  
Moodiesburn G69 0EN  
Tel: 01236 638888

## Wishaw

Houldsworth Centre  
Kenilworth Avenue  
Wishaw ML2 7LP  
Tel: 01698 302920



## Coatbridge

Buchanan Centre  
126 Main Street  
Coatbridge ML5 3BJ  
Tel: 01236 8130

## Motherwell

Dalziel Building  
7 Scott Street  
Motherwell ML1 1SX  
Tel: 01698 274135



## Cumbernauld

Council Offices  
Bron Way  
Cumbernauld G67 1DZ  
01236 632726

## Shotts

162-164 Station Road  
Shotts ML7 4AW  
Tel: 01501 824747

