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Dear Clare

CPRE Best Kept Village 2016

I am sorry to tell you that Kirmington and Croxton have been unsuccessful in this year's competition. I would like to thank you for taking part and hope you will enter again next year.

I have enclosed a copy of the judges comments and a full results list.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jenny Haynes".

Jenny Haynes
CPRE Northern Lincolnshire

Best Kept Village 2016 Results Summary

	Overall	Specific Category
Small Village Group (pop. under 1000)		
Howsham	148	1 st Playground
Redbourne	147	1 st Community Planting
Elsham	146	
Ashby cum Fenby	145	1 st Best New Entrant
Appleby	142	
Irby Upon Humber	142	
Worlaby	142	
Kirmington and Croxton	141	
Saxby all Saints	139	
New Holland	138	Most Original Planting
Althorpe	137	
West Butterwick	137	
Large Village Group (pop. 1000 to 4,000)		
Scawby	145	1 st Community Planting
Barrow upon Humber	144	
Wrawby	143	
Belton	142	
Burton Stather	142	
Ulceby	139	
Messingham	136	
Hibaldstow	135	
Small Town Group (pop. over 4,000)		
Immingham	149	1 st Community Planting 1 st War Memorial
Epworth	145	
Crowle and Ealand	144	2 nd War Memorial
Waltham	143	1 st Churchyard (Cemetery)
Winterton	143	
Barton upon Humber	142	
Brigg	141	Most Improved Award
Haxey/Westwoodside	137	
Broughton	136	Commended

Best Kept Village 2016 Results

	Overall	Playground	Churchyard/ Cemetery	Comm. Planting	War Memorial
Small Village Group (pop. under 1000)					
Althorpe	137	48	47		47
Appleby	142	48	47		47
Ashby cum Fenby	145				
Elsham	146			48	
Howsham	148	50		49	
Irby Upon Humber	142		47	45	
Kirmington and Croxton	141	47	48/48	44	47
New Holland	138			47	
Redbourne	147	45	47	50	
Saxby all Saints	139		46		47
West Butterwick	137		46	44	47
Worlaby	142	47/47	48	47	47
Large Village Group (pop. 1000 to 4,000)					
Barrow upon Humber	144			48	
Belton	142	47	47	48	47
Burton Stather	142	47/44	49/47	46	45
Hibaldstow	135	44	45	46	47
Messingham	136	46	45	46	47
Scawby	145	49	47	49	
Ulceby	139	47	47	46	47
Wrawby	143				
Small Town Group (pop. over 4,000)					
Barton upon Humber	142			48	
Brigg	141			48	47
Broughton	136	47	49		48
Crowle and Ealand	144	49/49	48	48	47/49
Epworth	145				46
Haxey/Westwoodside	137	47/35	44	45	45
Immingham	149		48	50	50
Waltham	143	48	47/50	48	47
Winterton	143		47	48	
Best New Entrant					
Ashby cum Fenby					
Most Original Planting					
New Holland					
Most Improved					
Brigg					

Two marks in one category indicate two different facilities eg. a churchyard and a cemetery

**KIRMINGTON
& CROXTON**

Best Kept Village Marking Sheet

Points

		Max	Mark	Judges' Comments
1	General Tidiness & Appearance Litter, fly tipping, graffiti, including at bus stops & telephone boxes. General maintenance of hedges, trees, verges, fences, walls, paths and seats	40	38	There was very litter anywhere in the two villages and no evidence of graffiti or fly tipping. Hedges and verges were generally well-maintained although some of the hedges in Croxton would benefit from a trim. Footpaths were in a reasonable state and bus stops were tidy. It was good to see the preserved red telephone box!
2	Community Facilities Community centres, village halls, schools, parks, playing fields, churchyards/cemeteries, chapel surrounds, war memorials and public noticeboards	40	39	The playground, set in a large and attractive playing field, had a range of colourful equipment and picnic tables. The school in Kirmington has well-maintained planting at the front and the churchyard opposite was well cared for with a pleasant open aspect. The simple but effective stands at the northern edge of the churchyard alongside the road. There is a delightful and most attractive memorial garden honouring the members of 166 Squadron who lost their lives in the 2 nd World War. The churchyard in Croxton is very well tended and the mature trees make this a very peaceful and attractive site. The noticeboard at Kirmington was a little untidy and would benefit from some attention.
3	Gardens & Community Areas Gardens, window boxes, hanging baskets, tubs and planters, community planting, public areas, and allotments	50	46	There was a delightfully planted area around the old water pump in Croxton but apart from a floral display at the end of Ransom Court there was little community planting in Kirmington. However, there were some very attractive gardens and hanging baskets in Kirmington, notably on Ransom Court, East End and at The Firs, Post Office Lane.
4	Other community features Shops, inns, farmsteads, workshops, business premises, advertisements and signposts	20	18	The Croxton sign on entry to the village from the south needs a clean. However, the village sign for Kirmington is very attractive and there was good signage around the village, especially for the Business Centre.
Total		150	141	

Notes

- (a) Absence of a feature listed in the marking sheet will not entail a loss of marks**
- (b) Natural and architectural beauty will not be taken into account**

General comments

These attractive villages are very tidy and generally free of litter. The memorial garden in Kirmington is a special feature that is extremely well-maintained. Both villages have some delightful features and residents clearly make an effort to maintain a very pleasant environment.

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Individual Category Entries:

This village has also entered the individual category/ies ticked below. Mark in addition to the general marking. If there is no tick, then no separate marking is required.

✓	Category	Max	Mark	Comments
✓	Playground High Street, Kirmington	50	47	The playground is set in a large well-cut playing field. It has a good range of imaginative equipment including a climbing wall and an area for younger children. There is a picnic bench and only a small amount of litter.
✓	Churchyard St Helen's, Main St. Kirmington	50	48	This is a very well-maintained churchyard with the grass and hedges cut very well. In the south-west corner of the churchyard there is a very attractive seating area with very well shaped laurel and yew. The noticeboard would benefit from some paint and needs tidying.
✓	St John's, Croxton	50	48	This small churchyard has a lovely setting, shaded by mature trees. The grass is reasonably well cut and the verges outside the church were being trimmed during our visit! The graves are well-tended and there is an attractive bench at the west end of the church.
✓	Community planting scheme	50	44	There was a most attractive planted area, with a seat, by the Old Water Pump opposite the church in Croxton. The planting at the Memorial Garden in Kirmington is impressive with floral tributes, lavender, low conifers, a weeping cherry and excellent hedging around the site. The planting at Ransom Court had a colourful display by the road sign which unfortunately was spoilt by some long grass on the verge in front. Otherwise there was only limited examples of community planting.
✓	War Memorial St Helen's Church, Kirmington	50	47	The war memorial, sited at the northern edge of the churchyard, is a simple but effective stone cross with well-positioned wreaths around the base. The area is very tidy and well-maintained.