

LANCASHIRE BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

Results 2025



Whole Village Results

Champion Villages

Winner	Bretherton
Runner-up	Elswick
Highly Commended	Blacko
Highly Commended	Grindleton
5 th	Barton
6 th	Longton
7 th	Barley
8 th	Sabden

Small Villages

Winner	Hurst Green
Runner-up	West Bradford
Highly Commended	Roughlee
Highly Commended	Heapey
5 th	Mere Brow
6 th	Newchurch & Spenbrook
7 th	Haskayne

Large Villages

Winner	New Longton
Runner-up	Grimsargh
3 rd	Parbold
4 th	Goosnargh & Whittingham
5 th	Broughton
6 th	Hambleton
7 th	Preesall & Knott End
8 th	Adlington Higher

Hamlets

Winner	Little Eccleston
Runner-up	Inglewhite
3 rd	Sabden Fold
4 th	Haighton

Medium Villages

Winner	Newburgh
Runner-up	Weeton
Highly Commended	Bilsborrow

Urban Community

Winner	Whalley
Runner-up	Cumeragh
Highly Commended	Whittle-le-Woods
4 th	Cleveleys

Sponsored by:



OUTSTANDING FEATURES RESULTS

1 Places of Worship & Grounds (33 entries)

Winner	Bilsborrow	St. Hilda's
Joint Runners-up	Heapey	St. Barnabus
Joint Runners-up	Parbold	Our Lady & All Saints
Highly Commended	Inglewhite	St. Mary's
Highly Commended	Whalley	Chapel
6 th	Whitechapel	St. James
7 th	Barton	St. Lawrence
8 th	Goosnargh & Whittingham	St. Mary's

2 Schools & Children's Nurseries (20 entries)

Joint Winner	Preesall	St. Aidan's
Joint Winner	Newburgh	C of E Primary
Highly Commended	Adlington Lower	Adlington Primary
Highly Commended	Bretherton	C of E Primary
Highly Commended	Parbold	Douglas Academy
Highly Commended	Town Green Aughton	Town Green Primary
7 th	Haskayne	Haskayne Primary
8 th	Brindle	St. James'

3 Public Houses & Restaurants (33 entries)

Joint Winner	Broughton	The Italian Orchard
Joint Winner	Longton	Black Bull
Joint Runners-up	Grindleton	The Rum Fox
Joint Runners-up	Pleasington	Clog & Billycock
Highly Commended	Parbold	The Windmill
6 th	Little Ecclestone	The Cartford Inn
7 th	Sabden	The White Hart
8 th	Adlington Lower	The Retreat

4 Hotel/Guest House (6 entries)

Joint Winner	Town Green Aughton	Moor Hall
Joint Winner	West Bradford	Eaves Hall
Highly Commended	Lathom	Briars Hall

5 Public Building (29 entries)

Winner	Mere Brow	Village Hall
Runner-up	Parbold	Village Hall
Highly Commended	Cleveleys	CAC
Highly Commended	Grimsargh	Village Hall
Highly Commended	Town Green	Village Hall
Highly Commended	Elswick	Village Hall
7 th	Grindleton	Pavilion Village Hall
8 th	Broughton	Toll Bar Cottage

6 Industrial/Commercial Premises (10 entries)

Winner	Sabden	Specialised Automotive Services
Runner-up	Adlington Higher	Deighan's Funeral Parlour
Highly Commended	Whalley	Railway Station
4 th	Stalmine with Staynall	Moy Vets
5 th	Newburgh	Eden Tea Rooms
6 th	Chipping	Bretherton's Garage
7 th	Haskayne	Business Park

7 Shops (21 entries)

Joint Winner	Adlington Lower	The RailWeigh
Joint Winner	Sabden	The Village Nook
Runner-up	Longton	Blundell's
Highly Commended	Blacko	Pulse Hairdressers
5 th	Whalley	Sarah Layton Jeweller
6 th	Town Green/Aughton	Henshaw's Butcher
7 th	Barley	The Cabin
8 th	Lathom	Taylors Farm

8 Residential/Nursing Home/Sheltered Accommodation (12 entries)

Winner	Bretherton	The Apiary
Joint Runner-up	Heapey	Ryefield
Joint Runner-up	Waddington	Alms Houses
4 th	Adlington Lower	Slater Bungalows
5 th	Whalley	Alms Houses
6 th	Tanterton	Hanover Court

9 Community Notice Board (28 entries)

Winner	Bretherton	By The Apiary
Runner-up	Grindleton	Parish Council
Highly Commended	Brindle	Church Wall
Highly Commended	Inglewhite	
5 th	Adlington Lower	Town Council Park Road
6 th	Sabden	Watt Street
7 th	Shirdley Hill	Green
8 th	West Bradford	Grindleton Road

10 War Memorial & Public Monuments (25 entries)

Winner	Bilsborrow	War Memorial
Joint Runner-up	Blacko	War Memorial
Joint Runner-up	Grimsargh	Longridge Road
Highly Commended	Heapey	Heapey & Wheelton
Highly Commended	West Bradford	Coronation Garden
6 th	Barley	At Turning Circle
7 th	Hurst Green	Great War Memorial
8 th	Newburgh	

11 Item of Cultural/Social/Industrial Interest

Winner	Longton	Brickcroft
Runner-up	Grindleton	Stone Table
Highly Commended	Bilsborrow	Queen Elizabeth Memorial
Highly Commended	Little Eccleston	Cartford Bridge
5 th	Haskayne	Agricultural Sculpture
6 th	Preesall	Lowry Matchstick Men
7 th	Sabden	Calico and Clogs
8 th	Hurst Green	St. Josephs Cemetery

12 Public Playing Fields (20 entries)

Winner	Hambleton	Bob Williamson Park
Joint Runner-up	Elswick	Village Hall Site
Joint Runner-up	Town Green Aughton	William Arnold Silcock Memorial Playing Field
Highly Commended	Barley	Village Green
5 th	Sabden	Lower Holme
6 th	West Bradford	Village Hall Site
7 th	Adlington Lower	Jubilee Recreation
8 th	Chipping	Behind Village Hall

13 Children's Play Area (22 entries)

Joint Winner	Haskayne	Village Hall
Joint Winner	New Longton	Chapel Lane
Highly Commended	Bretherton	Recreation Ground
Highly Commended	Longton	School Lane
5 th	Barley	Opposite Pendle Inn
6 th	Newburgh	Next to School
7 th	West Bradford	Village Hall

14 Bowling Green (17 entries)

Winner	Bretherton
Runner-up	Mere Brow
Highly Commended	Elswick
Highly Commended	Longton
5 th	Barton
6 th	Preesall
7 th	Waddington

15 Cricket Ground/Tennis Club (10 entries)

Winner	Longton Tennis Club
Runner-up	Bretherton Cricket Club
Highly Commended	Grimsargh Cricket Club
Highly Commended	Hambleton Tennis Club
5 th	New Longton
6 th	Goosnargh & Whittingham Tennis Club
7 th	Heapey White Coppice

16 Public Garden (16 entries)

Joint Winner	Shirdley Hill Village Green
Joint Winner	Hambleton Bob Williamson Park
Highly Commended	Elswick Village Green
Highly Commended	West Bradford Coronation Gardens
5 th	Barley
6 th	Adlington Lower
7 th	Chipping