



# Bracknell in Bloom

## Itinerary and Map

RHS Britain in Bloom UK National Judging

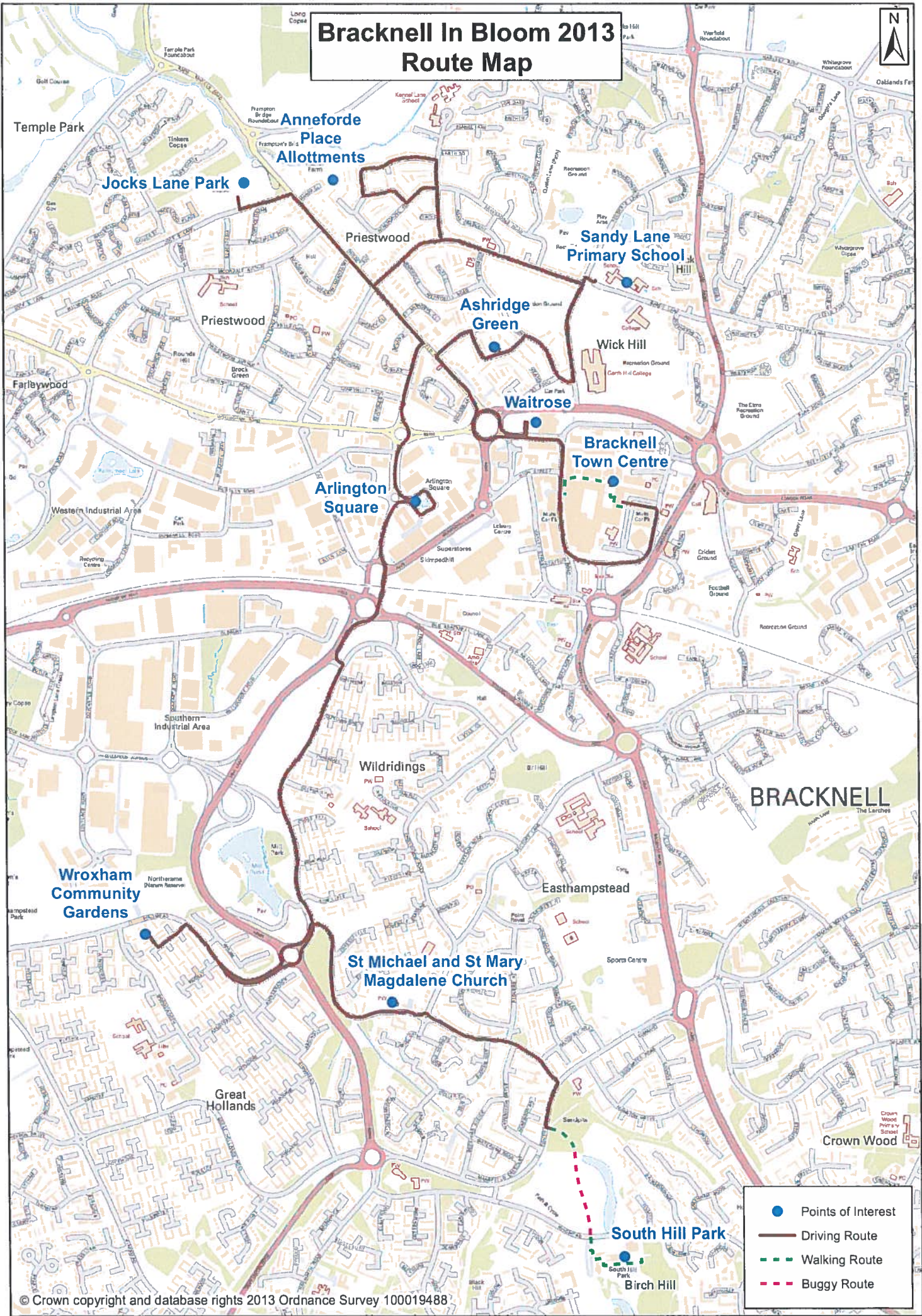
Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> July 2013



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# Bracknell In Bloom 2013 Route Map




- Points of Interest
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<b>Start Time</b>	<b>Location and Description</b>	<b>Marking Sections</b>	<b>Comments</b>
11:30	Judges to be met at Bracknell Railway Station and accompanied on foot to Ocean House, Bracknell Town Centre, for the presentation and lunch (about a 10 minute walk).		
11:45  12:00	<b>Presentation - (15 minutes)</b> Evidencing year-round work and plans for future development  <b>Lunch</b> During lunch the judges will have the opportunity to chat with members of the Bracknell in Bloom committee and see the spectacular views of Bracknell from the top floor of Ocean House.	C1, C3, C4, C5	
12:25	Lift down to the ground floor, where the tour will start		
12:30	<b>START OF TOUR</b> <b>Walk through Bracknell Town Centre</b> Walk from Ocean House through the town centre viewing summer floral displays  The regeneration of the north of the town centre has just started. Contractors are preparing for demolition which is planned to be finished by October 2013. The year round floral displays cheer up what is rather a tired looking town centre and are much admired by local residents and visitors to Bracknell.  Pick up the minibus at the Grange Hotel and drive to Waitrose Supermarket on the northern edge of the town centre	A1, A4, B4, B5	
12:49	<b>Waitrose Supermarket</b> <b>Winner of a Gold sustainability award from the British Council of Shopping Centre's</b>  Waitrose supermarket was opened in autumn 2011 and is one of the retailer's 'greenest' stores. It incorporates pioneering new features to benefit the environment and to reduce carbon dioxide equivalent emissions by around 80%. Features include: - a 'living' wall, a 'green' roof, a bug hotel and an energy centre was opened last year and produces the majority of the store's heating, cooling and electricity.  Pick up the minibus outside the supermarket and drive to Tom Henry's front garden	A1, A2, A4, B2	
13:07	<b>Tom Henry's Front Garden (5 Ashridge Green)</b> <b>Winner of the Best Jubilee Display in last year's Your Gardens competition</b>  Tom Henry's front garden is always a spectacular floral display all the year round. Mr Henry is disabled so cannot do any digging but fills his front garden with colourful hanging baskets, troughs and tubs. His garden is the talk of the neighbourhood and attracts many visitors.  Drive to Sandy Lane Primary School	A1, A2, A3, C3	

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13:20	<p><b>Sandy Lane Primary School</b></p> <p>Winner of the Best School Garden in last year's Your Gardens competition Green Flag award winner</p> <p>Sandy Lane Primary School has recently been extended and there are lots of gardening and wildlife areas tucked around the site. This year, horticultural projects include: - two allotments, a new wildflower meadow bank and an innovative urban salad garden created by year 6 pupils.</p> <p>Pick up the minibus outside the school and drive to Anneforde Place Allotments</p>	A3, B1, B2, C2, C3	
13:43	<p><b>Anneforde Place Allotments</b></p> <p>This allotment site is managed by Bracknell Town Council and has ten full-sized plots and twelve half-sized plots. Judges will meet Ted Love, one of Bracknell's most environmentally friendly allotment holders. He believes in wasting nothing and recycling everything and has a spectacular water harvesting system.</p> <p>Pick up the minibus from outside the allotment site and drive to Jocks Lane Park</p>	A2, A3, B2, C3	
14:01	<p><b>Jocks Lane Park</b></p> <p>Green Flag award winner</p> <p>Jocks Lane Park is a popular 12 acre family park offering extensive recreational facilities including play areas, woodland walks and a large pavilion. The park is used for community events throughout the year, two of the most popular being the annual teddy bears' picnic and a woodland crafts event held in February. There is a recycling centre in the car park.</p> <p>Pick up the minibus from the car park and drive to Arlington Square Business Park passing the Sperry Gyroscope sponsored roundabout</p>	<p>A5, B1, B2, C3</p> <p> TOILETS</p>	
14:14	<p><b>Arlington Square Business Park</b></p> <p>Arlington Square is a 22 acre business park close to Bracknell town centre. Originally designed to reflect the proportions of Mayfair's St James Square, the park has been extensively landscaped to provide a quality environment. Features include: - a central square with a lake, fountain and seating areas, a pleasant footpath linking Bracknell's Peel Centre to the north of the town.</p> <p>Walk through the square passing the fountain picking up the minibus near the entrance to Arlington Square. Drive to Wroxham Community Garden passing Wildridings Playing Field and Mill Park.</p>	A1, A2, A4, B3	

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14:37	<p><b>Wroxham Community Garden (nos 57 to 67)</b></p> <p>Winner of the Best Newcomer - Community Gardens, in last year's Your Gardens competition It's Your Neighbourhood Entrant</p> <p>The inspiration for creating this community garden was to hide some unsightly concrete structures in the centre of the square. Planters were built to disguise the concrete and following this success residents around the square decided to further develop the communal area. The square is now a wonderful community garden, home to flowers, vegetables and wildlife, a great achievement considering the garden is less than two years old! It has brought the square's residents together and most help out with the gardening and resourcefully finding plants to make it a beautiful place to enjoy.</p> <p>Pick up the minibus from outside the community garden and drive to St Michael and St Mary Magdalene Churchyard</p>	A1, A2, A3, B1, C3	
14:55	<p><b>St Michael &amp; St Mary Magdalene Churchyard</b></p> <p>The churchyard is one of the few unchanged natural sites left since the development of Bracknell new town in the 1950's. At the entrance is an ancient yew tree which has probably been a feature for over one thousand years. Some of the grass is kept long and cut in rotation to encourage a biodiversity of plant and wildlife. Volunteers from the Easthampstead Living Churchyard group monitor plant and animal life and helped install bird boxes and bat roosts sited in the trees. The churchyard is home to the rare devil's bit scabious as well as cowslips, holly, butterflies and stag beetles.</p> <p>Pick up the minibus from the front of the church and drive to South Hill Road play area, South Hill Park</p>	A3, B1, B2, B3, B5, C3	
15:07	<p><b>South Hill Park</b></p> <p>Green Flag entrant</p> <p>Walk from play area across the Broadwalk. Buggies will take the judges across North Lawn. Alight from the buggies near the road and walk through the mansion to the terrace and Italian Garden.</p> <p>South Hill Park is attractive, historic parkland of landscaped gardens, lakes and woodland, all of which surround a Grade II listed building which is used as an arts centre. The park has recently been restored back to its former glory, thanks to a £2.3 million grant by the Heritage Lottery Fund and the Big Lottery Fund. Restored original features include a Yew Walk and Italian Garden. A new pond and 200m boardwalk to the north of South Hill Park mansion, enables the public to enjoy views over the reed marsh.</p>	A1, A2, A5, B1, B3, B5, C3	
15:30	<b>END OF TOUR (3 hours)</b>		

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15:30	<b>Press Call (15 minutes)</b> In the Italian Garden.		
15:45	<b>Tea in the Garden Room</b> Judges will get the opportunity to meet some of the community volunteers and sponsors that support Bracknell in Bloom		
	<b>Judges' Discussion in the Café Atrium, South Hill Park</b>		
17:00	<b>Judges will leave for Wokingham Railway Station</b> (transport will be provided by Bracknell in Bloom)		
17:43	<b>Train to Gatwick departs from Wokingham Railway Station</b>		