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It's that 'Blooming' time again

It was a busy week for New Charter Housing Trust green-fingered residents groups as the judging for In Bloom commenced across Tameside.

The North West In Bloom Competition is a great way of bringing communities together. And this year is no exception as tenants; both young and old, from New Charter Housing Trust's communities have mucked in to create some wonderful entries.

A total of 13 tenant groups and residents associations from across Tameside are hoping to take awards in the 'It's Your Neighbourhood' category, and have been spending months working hard to beautify gardens and green areas across their neighbourhoods.

Chair North West in Bloom Bill Blackledge said during his judging: **"Everything I have seen is in A1 condition and the community involvement is fantastic. I would like to thank all the Housing Associations who are working closely with communities in their areas to improve their neighbourhoods."**

Their efforts have been helped by New Charter and grounds maintenance company Veolia who have provided funding and held planting days to make sure each area was looking its best for the big day.

New Charter's Executive Director Tony Powell says: **"Working towards awards like these creates an infectious sense of community spirit and a real sense of pride. It will be difficult to beat last year's fantastic results, but I'm sure they'll do us proud. I wish everyone who is taking part the best of luck in the competition."**

Organisations and groups taking part include the Laurels, Muddy Buddies, Brushes Estate Management Board, Friends of Crowswood, Hindley Close Residents' Association, Ashurst Gardens, Lockingate Gardens, Central Residents Action Group, Audenshaw Community Association, the Newton Group: Bradley Green Road Flats, Dixon Road/Forrest Road Communal Garden, Yew Tree and Pendle Road Residents' Group, Waterton Wanderers.

Pictured with Bill Blackledge, Chair North West in Bloom, is baby bloomer

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