

## THE BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

At the Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils AGM held at Epperstone Village Hall on 16 November, Radcliffe on Trent was presented with the "Best in Notts" award and a cheque for £1,000.

This year 35 villages entered the Best Kept Village Competition and the champions in each category were:

In Category A (pop 2000 to 10000) Radcliffe on Trent was the winner, with Farnsfield as runner up. In Category B (pop 700 to 2000) East Markham was the winner, with Beckingham as runner up. In Category C (pop 300 to 700) Caunton was the winner, with Harby as runner up. In Category D (pop under 300) Granby was the winner, with Linby and East Drayton as runner up. The champion villages in each of the four categories were awarded cheques of £125, attractive oak and wrought iron plaques to retain for one year and framed certificates. Runners up each received £50 and a certificate.

The Best New Entrant category is for a village which has not entered the competition for 5 or more years. Four new entrants entered this year. The winner was Flintham and was awarded a cheque for £100 and a certificate.

Certificates of Merit were given to Balderton – for well-kept communal facilities around the parish offices; and Orston – for imaginative use of telephone box as a planter.



Presentation of Award to Radcliffe on Trent



The competition was kindly sponsored for the twenty-fourth successive year by the Wilkinson Group of Companies. We are grateful to all the judges, village entrants and, in particular, to Wilkinsons for their generous support in continuing to make this a vibrant and hard fought competition.