

## **Competition Rules**

Each Society can enter as many gardens as they wish.

The judging criteria are:

- 1 Health, vigour, diversity and suitability of plants allowing for difficulty of cultivation (30 points).
- 2 Suitability of design to the site with the requirements of household usage and the incorporation of the principles of water and top-soil conservation. (20 points).
- 3 Visual impact, harmonious planting, with suitable encouragement for wildlife (20 points).
- 4 Maintenance of paths, fences, walls, ponds, structures, hedges, green areas and working areas. These could include patios, natural pools, fruit and vegetable plots and woodland gardens (15 points).
- 5 Cultivation, cleanliness and neatness. Freedom from pernicious weeds and diseases (15 points).