



# Centennial Project

## How 2 Guide

### **TITLE: Flower/Bulb Planting**

### **Centennial Project Area if applicable: Environment**

#### **Synopsis of Project:**

‘To Protect and Improve the Environment to Make Your Community a Healthier Place to Live for Everyone’ is the Centennial Environment challenge. Planting bulbs and flowers can help this because a beautiful display of flowers can certainly lift people's spirits and make them happier and happy people tend to be healthier.

#### **How 2 Guide:**

- 1 Find a site for planting eg. A flower bed in a public park, approaches to towns or villages, roundabouts, areas that have been neglected, railway stations, planters in shopping centres, old peoples’ homes, elderly persons homes or along lanes in the countryside (wild flowers).
- 2 Get permission from the owner of the site.
- 3 Choose what you want to plant. Daffodils and purple crocus in spring, purple and yellow flowers at in the summer are preferable but any flowers count towards the challenge. Plant in the shape of a Lions badge if possible, for maximum impact. Wild flower seeds can be sown in country lanes.
- 4 Get your bulbs or plants. Local Councils may supply these especially bedding plants. There are many mail order firms which supply bulbs, plants and seeds at reasonable prices in bulk. They may be willing to provide at a good rate for charities.
- 5 Get your planting recognised. Mark the bed with a plaque stating who has planted it. Get the local press interested.
- 6 Sponsorship could be available from Veolia may help. Their website [www.veoliatrust.org/funding](http://www.veoliatrust.org/funding) gives details but it can be a long process. Greggs the Bakers now have monies, raised from the 5p sales of plastic bags, as a pilot scheme Find more details at [www.greggsfoundation.org.uk/environmental-grants](http://www.greggsfoundation.org.uk/environmental-grants).

- 7 This could be a legacy project. Consider continuing with different types of planting eg. if you plant spring bulbs then continue with different flowers later in the year.

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