



**Newsletter May 2026**

Thanks to Lynne for this amusing photograph of a moth on a painted toadstool on our newly completed mural!

All work parties are 9.30-11.30am	Please bring your own gloves, tools and green bags
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Rodmoor Garden and Nuttery
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 9.30	Plant Sale in Town Garden outside library
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Town Garden and Old Mill
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> May 9.30am	Empty blue tubs
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Rodmoor and Nuttery
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May 6pm	Replant blue tubs
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Jubilee Park
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> May 8.30-10.00am	Boat Roundabout – look out for the traffic!
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Rodmoor Gardens and Nuttery
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> /Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Open Gardens Weekend
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Town Garden and Old Mill
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Portishead Carnival
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Rodmoor Gardens and Nuttery
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Station Road

*PiB will have a small float in the Portishead Carnival on the morning of 13th June. We would love volunteers to walk behind the float- wearing bright clothes, (floral patterns if possible) sun hats or umbrellas/parasols - bring your children and grandchildren too- email [dianeworkman039@gmail.com](mailto:dianeworkman039@gmail.com) if you would like to join the procession*



There were seventeen gardeners doing a variety of tasks in the Town Garden and at the Old Mill bed on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April – we have decided to add a small flower bed in front of the mural.



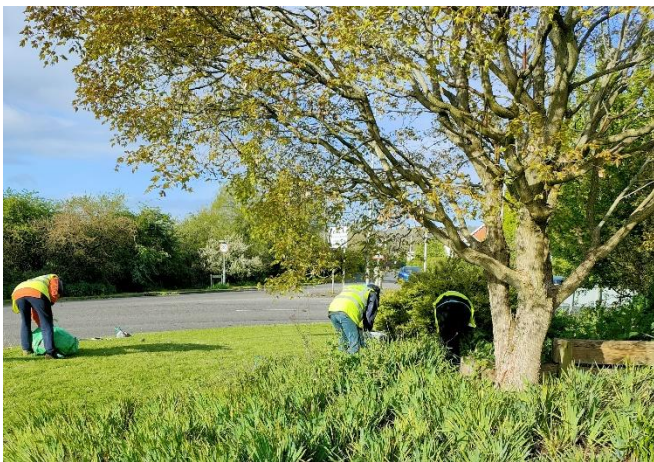
Portishead in Bloom relies on a small committee of volunteers to organise all that we do each year. There are monthly meetings, 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday 7-9pm and each committee member takes responsibility for an area of work in line with their skills/interests. We very

much recognise that people have busy lives and multiple priorities so we would like to increase the number of people on the committee to share the workload more widely. If you would be interested in joining the team please email [portishead\\_in\\_bloom@outlook.com](mailto:portishead_in_bloom@outlook.com) or speak to any committee member at a work party.



## Thank you

We are so grateful for all the donations we receive from the community which enable us to keep the town looking so colourful each year. It's not possible to acknowledge each one individually but please be assured your contributions are much valued. We would like to thank everyone who 'voted' for us at Waitrose – and to acknowledge the £1000 recently received from Waitrose which is a great boost to our funds. We would also like to thank our local Rotary Club for their annual donation.



Working on the Boat Roundabout requires an early start to avoid the traffic – thanks to the eight brave souls who came on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April to weed and tidy. And apologies that my photos are absolute PiB classics featuring bottoms rather than faces! It's a surprisingly large area and the weeds had started to encroach on the planting scheme so we will have to reconvene quite soon to get on top of the situation.



Sixteen gardeners weeded and tidied at Rodmoor Gardens on 15.4 in slightly threatening but ultimately dry conditions - and it was lovely to welcome a new gardener – we hope to see her again soon!

## OPEN GARDENS WEEKEND

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June

Entry to the gardens is by programme, £5 per person.

Available in advance from Carey's, Flagship Boutique and The Ship and from all gardens on the day.

Millennium Garden will, as always be PiB HQ!



In a strange co-incidence the next work party was in Millennium Garden – lots of lovely flowers blooming but as always lots of weeds to remove! Thanks to Bryan for the photo's!



And the final task for the month was replacing three of the old rusty blue tubs in the piazza with new self watering ones. Our friends at Industrial Modern Furniture have taken the old ones so that the metal can be re-used in new forms. Huge thanks to the 18 people who helped with this Herculean job – and got it done in just 90 minutes! The new tubs were part funded by the 'green token' funding PiB received from Waitrose so thanks to everyone who dropped a few tokens in for us!

**Don't forget the Plant Sale on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May in the Town Garden from 9.30am!!**