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## Tallest Sunflowers Bloom for Newbury



From left to right

**Back Row** – Tammy Skinner, Alex Copeland, Courtney Green from The Winchcombe School (winners of the Tallest Sunflower 2006)

**Front Row** – Dot Boyd (Gardening Club Organiser, The Winchcombe School), Geraldine Blythe - Gandlake Computers (sponsors of Tallest Sunflower category), Sue Page - (Newbury In Bloom Co-Ordinator) Tony Forward - Gandlake Computers

Newbury In Bloom 2007 was officially launched today in Victoria Park. This year, Sue Page, Newbury Town Council's Newbury In Bloom Co-Ordinator, was joined by the pupils of The Winchcombe School, winners of last year's Tallest Sunflower category. Holding their sunflowers excitedly, they were quick to inform that they had their eye on the trophy again this year but were a bit worried that now that the category was becoming better known, they might be in with a lot more competition!!

Also in attendance were Tony Forward and Geraldine Blythe from Gandlake Computers Ltd, situated in London Road, Newbury, the first business to sponsor a category in this year's 10th Anniversary celebrations of Newbury In Bloom. Both were very interested to hear of the children's enthusiastic attitude towards their gardening club at school.

"This promises to be the most exciting year Newbury In Bloom has had" said Sue Page, Newbury In Bloom Coordinator for Newbury Town Council, "it is so encouraging to see the youngsters getting involved in the competition. This year we have had so many pledges of support from local businesses, it really makes it all worthwhile. I can only reiterate the fact that to make the competition as successful as possible, we need everybody in Newbury to get involved, from children, businesses, private gardeners to allotment holders and those with an interest in wildlife – there is a category for everyone to enter and with this year's new judging scheme, which will include extra points for anything that is environmentally friendly, who knows what you could win".

Last date for entries is 29th June 2007 and entry forms for Newbury In Bloom are available from the Town Hall in Newbury or can be downloaded from [www.newbury.gov.uk](http://www.newbury.gov.uk). For any more information on any aspect of Newbury In Bloom, please call Sue Page on 01635 35486 or email [admin@newbury.gov.uk](mailto:admin@newbury.gov.uk)

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