

# Ballinahown Community newsletter

Summer 2025



## Summer challenge 1: water conservation

We are aligning with the Sustainable Development goals 6 and 14 by doing what we can to conserve this valuable resource.

on average, an  
established 12" or  
14" hanging  
basket will need  
1 gallon of water  
every time you  
water it.



**Harvest rainwater from a roof by connecting a diverter to a down pipe to divert water to a garden pond or planter. Visit <https://www.wikihow.com/build-a-rainwater-collection-system> for DIY tips.**

## summer challenge 2: "*no mow may*"



**No Mow May** is an annual campaign asking everyone to put away the lawnmower during the month of May to help our native wildlife.

Native Irish wildflowers like dandelions, clover, and birds-foot trefoil provide the best source of pollen and nectar for our hungry wild pollinators. By mowing less, we can give them a chance to appear naturally – no seeds needed.

## keep Ballinahown looking gorgeous all summer long

### Top Tips

1. **2 minute litter pick.**

When visiting the village, take 2 minutes to pick litter in the amenity you are visiting – you will find litter pickers and bags at the hall, playground and sports park.

2. **Adopt a Flowerbed.**

Take 15 minutes a week to weed and water your own chosen flowerbed.

3. ***The Ballinahown Way***

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