Through the pollinators eyes
Choices
Insects compound eyes

• Bees Blue Purple Violet, White Yellow Ultra Violet

• Flys Yellow and White
Spring time food sources are sparse

- Common Willow is a great source of pollen, and nectar.
- Willows are simple to propagate from winter hardwood cuttings.
- Maynooth Tidy Towns planted 500 in a day along damp areas in the Town.
Salix -- Willow
Some other important spring resources
Comprehensive RHS List

• Hawthorn

• Blackthorn

• Flowering Bulbs (the right ones)

• Common Primrose

• Trachystemon

• Sarcococca
Daffodils good for people
Bad for Pollinators
Adding Allium Ornamental Onion
Makes it better
Bumblebees like Allium Snowdrops, Crocus Muscari
Make a mass bulb scheme
People attractive and Pollinator friendly

• Lots of possibilities
• Add Early flowering species crocus , later flowering hybrid crocus.
• Muscari only specific types useful
• Use daffodils for Colour
• Add Allium for pollinators , extends colour
• Experiment
Summer again gives choice good and bad for pollinators

- Good  Nepeta – Catmints
- Salvia
- Calamintha
- Stachys
- Phacelia
Nepeta – Catmint
Salvia
Phacelia
Kilkenny 2016
Single flowered dahlia
Victorian Kitchen Garden Phoenix Park
Dandelion
Knapweed
Bedding
Petunias, Geraniums, Begonias, Primroses
Summer Bedding + Bidens + Bacopa = Happy Pollinators
Summer Bedding, a step more Colourful for Tidy Towns, Great for Pollinators Maynooth
Make it better for pollinators

• Planning conditions

• Native wild flowers

• Ivy on trees

• Check RHS Plant list

• Hedgerows

• Look at You Tube for plant information
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