

When is Carrickfergus in bloom?

How do you know when Carrick is in bloom?
Is it when the flowers come out and smell of perfume?
Or is it when the bright sun comes out,
And delicate new plants start to spout?
Perhaps its when the days get brighter,
Or is it when the nights get lighter.
Could it be at the start of Spring,
When lots of baby birds take to wing?
Maybe it's the warmer weather
Or when the people come together.

It is just about plants many people assume,
Or is there a greater definition to the word bloom?

Is it about the colour and beauty about the town?
Is it the youth of this medieval town?
Perhaps it's the blooming sound of life in a day,
But I now know that Carrickfergus blooms in more
than just one way!

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