

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **CARRIGART**
County : **DONEGAL**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 10-07-96

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
Overall Developmental Approach	50	40
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	18
Landscaping	40	28
The Built Environment	40	30
Litter Control	40	22
Tidiness	20	12
Residential Areas	30	18
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	28
General Impression	10	8
TOTAL MARK	300	204

Adjudicator's Comments

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Many thanks to Carrigart for the excellent developmental approach to their Tidy Towns Entry. A first class plan, a vast array of very informative photographs, and an aerial photograph of the town, (this may be a first for the Tidy Towns Competition). This was most helpful to your adjudicator and allowed a very thorough examination of the town to be undertaken.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

This new aspect of the Tidy Towns is one that you can usefully make extra marks from. It was heartening then to see your report from the O. P. W. on the variety of wildlife that is available on the estuary and strand area. Why not develop a walk through the fore shore area and Island Roe, starting perhaps from your beautiful Strand Park where you could with a series of informative display plaques illustrate the birds that might be expected to be seen in this area.

LANDSCAPING

The already mentioned Strand Park area is simply superb and this together with the excellent development at the water pumps around the town make for a very impressive landscape plan. The Creeslough approach road together with its trees and very neat area of landscaping was also to be congratulated on.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Your targeted approach to the built environment of the village is paying off. It is good to see that you are dealing positively with areas of dereliction and that the existing housing and commercial stock is being maintained at such a high standard. Congratulations to all.

LITTER CONTROL

On the day of adjudication, litter was not particularly a problem. This is quite an achievement for the gateway to Rosguill Peninsula. Litter control needs to be ever vigilant and further bins are recommended.

TIDINESS

This is a separate issue to litter control and one in which you have scored well. Your overall sense of husbandry and smart landscaping and style etc. is giving you good scoring in this area.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

As has been remarked in previous adjudications the houses within the village area are very well kept. Many of them had tremendous colour and were very smartly presented. Congratulations to all on this. Hopefully the derelict house beside the site bought by the Credit Union can be dealt with in the year to come.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The approach roads were well presented and as already mentioned the Creeslough Road was particularly impressive. Back areas remain something of a problem; it is essential to remember that the visitor meanders throughout your village and that the backs of your houses are just as important as the front. The development of the car park has progressed significantly and for this you are to be congratulated. Now that the Strand Park has matured so beautifully, perhaps further work needs to be done on screening the back areas of the houses from the Main Street.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Highlight the derelict areas and the backs of the houses within your plan for 1997 and if you can achieve progress on this together with the wildlife issue you can garner significant further marking. Well done.