

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **BALLYBOUGHAL**
County : **DUBLIN**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 11-07-96

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
Overall Developmental Approach	50	29
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	17
Landscaping	40	26
The Built Environment	40	24
Litter Control	40	26
Tidiness	20	15
Residential Areas	30	21
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	21
General Impression	10	6
TOTAL MARK	300	185

Adjudicator's Comments

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

The developmental approach of Ballyboughal Tidy Towns committee is very thorough and is to be commended as it involved all sections of the community in Ballyboughal. Your three year plan is well thought out and comprehensive. We look forward to seeing some of your proposed developments being put in place over the next few years.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

The riverside rural setting of Ballyboughal provides an ideal setting for wildlife conservation. The neatly planted shrubs and hedges throughout Ballyboughal provide a catchment area for a variety of species of animals and fish.

LANDSCAPING

The variety of flowers, flower beds, trees and shrubs planted throughout Ballyboughal provide a wonderful landscape. In particular in the areas around the church and outside the pitch and putt grounds are exceptional. The flowers planted around the sign on the approach road from Swords are a nice touch. However, some attention could be paid to the grass verges around village green area - cut grass had not been raked up on adjudication day.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The majority of buildings in Ballyboughal were well presented on adjudication day. O'Connors pub and the new Thatch Cottage are very attractive. The Post Office and the Church were very well presented also. The signs outside the petrol station need attention.

LITTER CONTROL

Litter control in general is very good with the exception of the forecourt outside the petrol station. However, the School grounds and pitch & putt club are clean and litter free.

TIDINESS

The overall tidiness of Ballyboughal is very good, it was evident that a lot of attention was given to litter and weed control throughout the village.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

With the exception of one or two houses in the village all residences were very well presented on adjudication day. The effects of the local Best Garden Competition is evident with an increase in the standards of gardens. Grass verges are well maintained with nice flower beds and shrubs.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The presentation of approach roads and streets were quite impressive with hedges and weeds well cutback. Roads were quite clean despite the three building sites throughout Ballyboughal.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

The overall impression of the efforts by Ballyboughal Tidy Towns Committee are very favourable in that

all sections of the community seem to be involved. The tidying of some of the derelict houses is to be commended.