

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **BALROTHERY VILLAGE**
County : **DUBLIN**
Category : **B**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 11-07-96

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
Overall Developmental Approach	50	22
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	14
Landscaping	40	22
The Built Environment	40	20
Litter Control	40	20
Tidiness	20	13
Residential Areas	30	18
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	22
General Impression	10	6
TOTAL MARK	300	157

Adjudicator's Comments

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

The work programme submitted by Balrothery is very comprehensive involving County Councils, FAS and the Local Community. The planned projects included in your plan should greatly enhance Balrothery over the coming years. Perhaps a 3-5 year development plan could be drafted for next year to assist the overall development of the village.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

There is a great potential for nature conservation in Balrothery village particularly around the area of the church and at Balrothery Lake - it would be a good idea to meet with local environment experts so as to consult with them on how this important amenity could be further enhanced.

LANDSCAPING

Landscaping throughout Balrothery is quite impressive, in particular the church grounds and garden areas are well kept as are grass verges. The area outside the Merry Cricketeer pub is also quite impressive.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The important buildings in Balrothery are well maintained, the church is quite impressive, however, the forecourt at O'Connor's shop could be upgraded. The derelict building beside O'Connor's shop takes away from the presentation of the rest of the village.

LITTER CONTROL

Litter control on the day of adjudication was very good with the exception of some incidental litter outside the gate to the church. It was noted also that there were very few litter bins throughout the village.

TIDINESS

The overall tidiness of the whole of Balrothery village is good. All individual houses had well maintained gardens and verges. The litter that was noted in certain areas should be dealt with as it effects the overall image of the village.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

The housing estates in Balrothery are impeccably kept as are the other residential properties throughout the village. The green areas in the village are also nicely landscaped.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The approach from the main road into Balrothery was presented to a high standard. Back areas of the village are also very well kept. However, it was noted that the phone box in the village is in need of painting.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

The effort of the Tidy Towns Committee are to be commended as the village overall was presented to a high standard on adjudication day. However, the less favourable comments noted above should be pursued for next year.