

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **GLINSK**  
County : **GALWAY**  
Category : **A**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 20-06-96

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
Overall Developmental Approach	50	32
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	20
Landscaping	40	22
The Built Environment	40	23
Litter Control	40	22
Tidiness	20	11
Residential Areas	30	18
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	24
General Impression	10	6
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>178</b>

## **Adjudicator's Comments**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

Firstly, congratulations on your achievements so far and on the great involvement of so many people. A key factor in the Adjudication Criteria for 1996 is evidence of the involvement of the whole community in caring for the environment. Your close partnership with the County Council and other Bodies is certainly a formula for success. Your Area Development Plan - (Glinsk 2,000) is a gem and the community spirit will make it a reality. How refreshing to learn of the indomitable spirit of self help and community action of the people of Glinsk.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

Having read your Feasibility Study Glinsk Castle Heritage Park, I walked the Glen on a brilliant sunny summers day and it was a beautiful experience. You are to be congratulated on the progress made so far. You are providing a facility that will bring joy to locals and visitors alike. In time you will be able to gather information on the habitats of animal and birds as well as the flora.

### **LANDSCAPING**

Your Town sign is most attractive with flowers adorning the base, pity the high grass spoils the effect. You are to be complimented on the fine work done by tree planting and the control of weeds on the Glenamaddy approach. Your directional signs with stone faced flower beds is a lovely feature.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

Glinsk Castle is most impressive almost demanding a visit. The Ballinakill Abbey is also a most important monument of times past with a most interesting history. In all developments please keep in mind the necessity of easy access for disabled persons. Both School and Church were excellent.

### **LITTER CONTROL**

Glinsk was virtually litter free on the day of adjudication. Involving the local Schools in your campaign augurs well for the future.

### **TIDINESS**

First impressions are lasting - so approach roads need constant attention. The grass was rather high on the road leading to the cemetery.

### **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

The contribution by individual homeowners should not be underestimated. The houses were most attractive with hanging baskets and window boxes. Encourage all to keep up the good work.

### **ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS**

The road through the Village is maintained to a high standard. Where is the sign to the Community Centre? The Car Park was enhanced with nice shrubs.

### **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

Glinsk is a joy to behold. The School & Church and The Credit Union building feature strongly. Your stone walls are magnificent - not least the one at the Heritage Park. But all is not perfect - yet! A bit more floral decoration at Dowds and a re-paint for the Telephone Box, for example