

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **ROSMUC**
County : **GALWAY**
Category : **B**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 03-07-96

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
Overall Developmental Approach	50	15
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	10
Landscaping	40	15
The Built Environment	40	15
Litter Control	40	12
Tidiness	20	8
Residential Areas	30	10
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	16
General Impression	10	4
TOTAL MARK	300	105

Adjudicator's Comments

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Welcome to the competition. Given the large area covered and problems with population decline, it is going to be difficult to do well without much work and assistance. We would advise that you set out a development plan with the assistance of the local authority and local development agencies to give you guidance and a programme of work relevant to the competition.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

This is an area that Rosmuc could do very well in. There is great potential for nature conservation and you might begin by inviting your local environmental group / advisor to assist you identify these opportunities.

LANDSCAPING

To date there has been little by way of a planned approach to landscaping the area. The use of trees and shrubs at key points will provide a focus for attention and will encourage visitors to stop and enjoy your area. The school and pier provide obvious opportunities along with the approach road from Gortmore.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

There are few commercial buildings and in general these are reasonably well maintained. Greater use of flower tubs and hanging baskets should be encouraged. There is a disused commercial shed near the industrial estate which should be removed. The petrol station and pub should be improved and upgraded.

LITTER CONTROL

There was evidence of litter in the area of the Post Office and pub which will have to be addressed. In addition, building material and old machinery should be removed from sight where possible.

TIDINESS

Given the dispersed nature of the townland it is difficult to describe the area as neat or tidy. Much more needs to be done to develop the area making use of Irish language signs wherever possible.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

We note your problem with some abandoned buildings and wish you well in your efforts to address the problem. Residents could do more to improve their premises and gardens to make them more attractive.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The main access road is in reasonable condition. However, the south-side and cellar roads are in poor condition. There are opportunities to improve the main access road with landscaping.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Notwithstanding its problems, Rosmuc does have great potential for doing well in this competition but much co-ordinated work will be needed involving all sectors of your community. We wish you well in your efforts.