

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **ENFIELD**
County : **MEATH**
Category : **B**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 08-07-96

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
Overall Developmental Approach	50	34
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	21
Landscaping	40	23
The Built Environment	40	23
Litter Control	40	22
Tidiness	20	11
Residential Areas	30	18
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	23
General Impression	10	6
TOTAL MARK	300	181

Adjudicator's Comments

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Once again your map and questionnaire were extremely helpful in finding my way around and also viewing your new work. You have continued to make progress even if as you say yourself it is slow. For next year as part of the competition you will need to submit a 3/5 year work plan/programme outlining your plans for this period. I would suggest you pick 2/3 projects for each year, small projects which are realistic and achievable as these will be the ones that will yield the best results. Your Committee should be congratulated on another years hard work.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

The canal leisure park area was once again looking very well on the day of inspection. This area is a haven of wildlife from squirrels feeding to the various different species of birds nesting not to mention the fish and other water based wildlife. The water quality looked quite good and the reeds along the banks were well under control. You may like to look at the addition of some notice boards to inform visitors of the different species of wildlife that can be found in the area. You could possibly involve the local school children or your local environmental experts to put together the relevant information you might require.

LANDSCAPING

Your choice of trees, shrubs and flowers and where they have been located throughout the village should be commended. The canal leisure park is a credit to your Committee with all the hard work that has gone into its beautiful presentation. The new mound planted with village name at the Trim junction is also a welcome addition to the village. The flower beds out at the pump on the Dublin Road were in full bloom and added a bit of colour to the area.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Most of the business premises were well presented with a collection of landscaped fronts, hanging baskets or colourful flower tubs on display. Premises that deserve credit would include The Bridge House, Statoi, Wells Hotel, Post Office, ESB and Enfield House Development. Dixons Butchers and Bank of Ireland were also well presented. Areas where improvements could be made would be at the entrance area to the industrial estate and in front of the Maxol Station.

LITTER CONTROL

On the day of inspection the main street and canal leisure park area were very much litter free. Litter was actually being collected at the time of adjudication. However, this was not the case in some of the back areas and car parks. Wells Hotel car park had quite a bit of litter as did the car park at Flatterys Pub. The owners of these premises should be encouraged to have the car parking areas tidied more often.

TIDINESS

The overall impression of Enfield is a neat and tidy little village. However as mentioned earlier litter is a problem in some of the car parks. There is also quite a large array of advertising signs in and around the village for this and that and it takes away from the appearance as there are so many of them. The canal leisure park area is a fine example of a neat and tidy public area.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

The adjudicator visited all the residential areas and residents should be congratulated for the wonderful effort they have put in to the presentation of their estates. Glenidan, Baynefield and Delamere should all be commended for their hard work. Blackwater Park was also looking very well. Individual residential houses in and around the village should also be praised on the high standard of presentation with only

one or two very minor exceptions. Well done everyone.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The Kinnegad approach road had two nice additions, one, the flower bed at the approach sign and the second, the shrub bed with the village name. The Dublin approach road was well presented as was the Edenderry Road. The Trim Road, I felt, was the best presented with the grass area very well cut and shrubs and flowers on the right opposite the new house. Keep up the good work on the approaches as first impressions are important. Some of the back areas are in need of attention i.e. the two car parks where litter was evident and the laneway down to the industrial estate where there was debris evident. You should continue to encourage the owners to clean up these areas.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

The adjudicator was quite pleased with his visit to Enfield and would like to congratulate the Committee and community on a nice presentation this year. Good luck and well done.