

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **KENTSTOWN**
County : **MEATH**
Category : **B**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 05-07-96

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
Overall Developmental Approach	50	32
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	17
Landscaping	40	23
The Built Environment	40	23
Litter Control	40	24
Tidiness	20	11
Residential Areas	30	20
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	23
General Impression	10	5
TOTAL MARK	300	178

Adjudicator's Comments

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Your Committee has been once again busy with several new developments since last year. I have noted that you are drawing up a plan for the picnic area at the Lions Mouth. You will in fact have to submit a plan or work programme covering a 3-5 year period as part of your proposals for the period. Any projects being targeted should be realistic and achievable as these are the ones that will yield results.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

There is potential for greater nature conservation in and around the village. A good starting point would be to identify the wildlife habitats of your catchment area and see what species of animal and bird these attract. Why not invite your local environmental experts and groups to get involved to advise you and provide you with the specialist information you require.

LANDSCAPING

The main green area at the centre of the village was very well presented. The floral displays on the stone walls at the pub and to the front of the housing estate were also well presented. The new flower beds on the newly seeded grass verge on the Slane/Ashbourne road will be a nice addition when completed. The area beside the Lions Mouth could do with some attention and general cleaning up.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Maguires Pub looked very well from the front and Spout road side. The opposite side was rather dull and could be enhanced. The church and graveyard were well presented as was the school. One or two of the older graves could do with a little attention. The garage and shop appeared relatively tidy. However, around the back there was a diesel spill which affected the bank. This should be cleaned up immediately.

LITTER CONTROL

Litter control in general was very good throughout the village. Litter bins were well located in the village and well maintained.

TIDINESS

The village in general appeared tidy and weed control appeared okay. There were some weeds however at the kerbside at the church and the kerbside to the front of the housing estate. More spraying would eliminate these.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

The small housing estate was very well presented and everyone concerned should be congratulated. Other residential properties on the approach roads to the village are also very well presented and residents should be commended for their efforts.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The approach roads to the village were looking a lot better than last year. Grass verges had been cut and hedges were well maintained. One point the adjudicator would like to make was that nearly all of the approach signs were surrounded by long grass even though further in the verges had been neatly cut. More attention here will yield higher marks.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Kentstowm is a nice little village which has great potential within the competition. Your committee have done quite a bit this year and should be congratulated for all the work done. Keep up the good work and well done.