

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **THREEMILEHOUSE**
County : **MONAGHAN**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 17-07-96

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
Overall Developmental Approach	50	30
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	17
Landscaping	40	26
The Built Environment	40	24
Litter Control	40	29
Tidiness	20	12
Residential Areas	30	17
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	25
General Impression	10	6
TOTAL MARK	300	186

Adjudicator's Comments

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Clearly you have a focused approach and know what you need to do to get further in the competition. It would be wise to set yourselves a plan and also to give your adjudicator a map for future years. Both would be very useful for you in assessing the progress to date and for the future.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

The stream through the village is a lovely feature that you have managed well and for this you picked up some marks, you should consider perhaps introducing some wild fowl to this little stream and/ or having a wildlife walk around the lovely lanes within your area. This would make an excellent project for the children's school group.

LANDSCAPING

Your planting and flowers throughout the village were quite good. You are to be congratulated on this. The factory yard on the Clones Road might be screened more effectively as could the derelict farm buildings at the junction of the Clones Road with the main road of the village. Consider also introducing some colour into the grounds of your national school which were otherwise beautifully kept and perhaps to the G.A.A. Park area which was equally well kept but lacking in colour.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The Threemile Inn continues to please, a very tidy property with a good clean car park etc. beside it. It was good to see the village hall being painted on the day of the adjudication and the church and national school in such good condition. Well done on this.

LITTER CONTROL

There was small amount of residual litter throughout the village. This was a pity and could have been cleared within a matter of minutes. The red bins were very clearly displayed and were well used upon checking. so it is only a matter of a little more care here for you to do better.

TIDINESS

The overall impression of Threemilehouse was that it was a very tidy, neat village proud of itself. This comes through in the tidy back streets and in the general air of orderliness about. A little more attention to litter and to some street sweeping would lead into far better marks within this category.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

The two housing estates - The Crescent and the housing estate opposite it were very well presented and the private gardens there were very well done. There was some exceptional private gardens, notably the one on the Monaghan Road. Your derelict building in the centre of the village, while an eyesore, was very cleverly dealt with by your strong planting of the rockery in front of it; this problem will hopefully be solved in time and do not despair over it.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The approach roads were well trimmed and kept in reasonable order throughout and you do not have a real problem with back gardens or rear ends being exposed! One thought would be to develop a children's play area somewhere in the village. It was a pity to see the children using seating in the Crescent area as the base for a see-saw, perhaps you should consider such an amenity for the kids in the green area at the G.A.A. Park, This would seem to lend itself to such a use.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Threemilehouse is a neat, tidy town, proud of its vernacular architecture and can look forward to doing well in the future competitions.