

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **ROOSKEY**
County : **ROSCOMMON**
Category : **B**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 18-06-96

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
Overall Developmental Approach	50	26
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	17
Landscaping	40	26
The Built Environment	40	23
Litter Control	40	26
Tidiness	20	12
Residential Areas	30	17
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	22
General Impression	10	6
TOTAL MARK	300	175

Adjudicator's Comments

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Thank you for completing the Questionnaire which was very detailed. Unfortunately your map had not arrived to me by adjudication day. I hope you will be successful in securing a FAS Scheme and also that Rooskey will be in line for Urban Renewal in 1997. Draw up a workable and realistic plan to cover the next 3/5 years. If possible, involve more of the community. With a bigger community you could break it into sub-committees and get greater results. It is very important to maintain a good working relationship with the County Council and other relevant bodies. There is a huge bank of information out there so don't be afraid to avail of it. I look forward to see your future plans and to seeing Rooskey develop into an even nicer Village than it already is.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

There is a need for you to identify nature conservation in the Village. You have a wonderful natural amenity in the River. This area can be enjoyed both by the local residents and by the visitor. You are presenting this area to a good standard.

LANDSCAPING

Your open spaces are well maintained and the planting of flower beds and troughs throughout help to add good colour to the area. Also there is good tree planting throughout. Generally, the Village looked bright and colourful and the planted areas well maintained.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Most of the business premises throughout are well maintained and presented to a high standard. On adjudication day it was good to see so many individuals painting their premises and generally tidying up. The Church was nicely painted and also the public toilets, but some of the windows here were broken. The Post Office looked neat. The street furniture and the flower bedding looks attractive here. Irish Country Meats building have made a good effort this year. Also the window boxes at Cunninghams look very nice, but less stickers and signs would further enhance this building. Also the Crews Inn Lounge and the Rake Away opposite looks colourful. The facade of Reynolds Lounge look good and also the Weir Lodge. As mentioned last year the old shed beside the Weir Lodge is a bit of an eyesore. The Petrol Pumps are a bit of an eyesore and do not seem to have a purpose and, if possible, should be removed. Lakeside Motors on the Sligo Road is presented to a good standard. It is obvious that most of the business people take pride in their premises. The exterior of the ballroom looks a bit dull and perhaps the provision of some flower tubs would help. Also the Courthouse is a real eyesore and requires immediate attention. We were glad to see that the life buoys are back in place. It would be nice if additional street furniture could be provided in this area.

LITTER CONTROL

On adjudication day Rooskey looked practically litter free. At the Bridge area, however, there was some litter in evidence. The new litter bins are noted. It is good to see that you are involving children in your efforts to combat litter.

TIDINESS

Again you have succeeded well under this category. The litter bins at the public toilets area are well concealed. Also weed growth seems to be under control.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

The residential properties throughout are very well maintained. Some have beautiful matured gardens. A

great individual effort is being made here. Keep up the good work.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

All of the approach roads are very well maintained. The grass verges are cut back and look neat. May we suggest that you acquire a "Welcome to Rooskey" sign? The flower planting along these roads looks good.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

I enjoyed my visit to Rooskey. You have made good improvements since last year. The completion of the School and the new building beside Reynolds Lounge will further enhance the Village. Please incorporate the black spots as mention in your plan. Continued success for the future.