

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **DUNHILL**  
County : **WATERFORD**  
Category : **A**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 10-07-96

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
Overall Developmental Approach	50	21
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	18
Landscaping	40	19
The Built Environment	40	20
Litter Control	40	24
Tidiness	20	12
Residential Areas	30	15
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	22
General Impression	10	5
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>156</b>

## Adjudicator's Comments

### OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Dunhill has responded very well to the new format of the Tidy Towns Competition. Thank you for the Urban and Village Renewal Scheme programme presented and for the plan of the village which was very useful on the day of adjudication. Thank you also for the comprehensively completed entry form.

Great credit is due to the entire Community of Dunhill for their achievements in this year's programme.

### WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

Being essentially a rural centre, Dunhill has many opportunities to emphasis and utilise the wildlife habitat.

Your amenities need a little attention. Both Dolmens should be signposted and the shrubs, which have not thrived, at the Tennis Club wall need attention.

### LANDSCAPING

The display at the junction featuring the plough was not looking its best as the plough was on its side and the grass had not been appropriately cut around and underneath. The presentation of the nameplate of the village on the Annestown and Tramore road approaches were excellent. These were freshly painted, clean and surrounded by appropriate flowering and decorative walls. Please strive for the same standards on the roads from Waterford and Kill. The Church grounds were excellent and the tree planting here was splendid. Please have regard to the poor growth of some trees and assist as necessary so that all flourish equally. Please ensure that all of the Cemetery is cut, taking care that the more difficult sections, for example, the triangle area between the main gate and the Church itself is equally well presented. The open grass area on the Kill road was very well presented.

### THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Harney's Bar is again a delightful gem and very well presented. The thatched cottage behind it was also excellent. The School was very well presented and the Village Hall was much improved with the five hanging baskets. The Church was very well presented as the focal point of the village.

### LITTER CONTROL

Litter management was very good. Limited amounts of litter were noted by the Hall and on the road between there and the School. The provision of suitable litter bins in this area is recommended.

In general throughout the centre litter management was of a very high order especially on the approach roads.

### TIDINESS

Building debris disfigured the little recess behind the pub and attention is directed to securing a solution to this display. Some weeds were noted in the School carpark area outside the wall which detracted from an overall very good presentation. The box building at the terrace was well presented with suitable red and grey painting. Some screening is required for the commercial area behind Harney's. As mentioned elsewhere, the seats and the plough display at the corner need a heightened maintenance programme for best effect.

### RESIDENTIAL AREAS

The two thatched cottages are a delight and very well presented. Perhaps the ESB might be persuaded

to underground the overhead cables at this point. Ivy Cottage looked well but there were some weeds between the pavement and the roadway at the terrace. Some good individual efforts with pleasant flower baskets.

The limited housing stock would benefit from a long-term coordinated painting programme while all are encouraged to improve their individual garden displays.

#### ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The signage, speed limit and village nameplates are very well presented, although the Waterford road approach village nameplate was slightly soiled. The 30 mph sign on the Kill road was well presented with appropriately cut back grass and weeds from the base. Other signage throughout the village was well presented.

#### GENERAL IMPRESSION

Dunhill is a very small community but is making great strides in the Competition. It has successfully, through the urban and village renewal scheme, identified the strengths and opportunities that even this small community possesses. It is working well to maximise presentation and all associated with the centre's progress are applauded for their on-going efforts.