

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **BARTLEMY**
County : **CORK**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 08-07-97

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1997	Mark Awarded 1996
Overall Developmental Approach	50	23	20
The Built Environment	40	21	20
Landscaping	40	19	17
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	10	11
Litter Control	40	25	24
Tidiness	20	10	12
Residential Areas	30	16	15
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	19	20
General Impression	10	5	5
TOTAL MARK	300	148	144

Bartlemy, Co Cork

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

The Bartlemy community would benefit at this stage of their participation in the competition in following a three to five year development plan. It is important that any development plan should be drawn up in consultation with the county council and other relevant organisations. This would help give the community a definite direction and enable them to progress even further in this competition. It is also recommended that the community should continue to involve the local school in creating an awareness of the competition.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

A number of buildings were very well presented, most notably the church and the community centre. The local school also looked very well. It was noted that the corrugated roofs in the village have been painted. A small number of old houses need to be repainted to remove the untidy look about them. The local public house will also require repainting. The maintenance of the derelict bungalow beside the church should also be addressed.

LANDSCAPING

There were a number of excellent examples of landscaping in the village and its environs. The Carryantaggart cross-roads was also admired. This amenity area was well finished with the effective use of shrubs. You could further enhance this area with an appropriate bench or picnic table. Overall the flower tubs and boxes added great colour to the village. The green in front of Church View also looked very well.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

This is an area that Bartlemy could develop to good effect by virtue of the abundance of natural resources at its disposal. The community should consult a local wildlife expert and incorporate any recommendations into the village development plan. The streams in the vicinity of the village offer an excellent opportunity to develop a wildlife habitat. This would also provide a waterside amenity for the community.

LITTER CONTROL

Overall litter control is not a significant problem. It is important to maintain a litter awareness programme in the school and the community. There was evidence of litter around Church View and in the vicinity of Barrys public house. You are complimented on the provision of extra litter bins.

TIDINESS

In general the village had a tidy appearance. However, the yard in the centre of the village was very untidy. The shrubbery around

the telephone kiosk is spoiled by the abandonment of two barrels and steel girders. A lot of centres encounter problems with derelict buildings. However, you are fortunate in this regard. You should attend to the appearance of a small number of derelict buildings in the village.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Once again the residents are to be complimented on the presentation of their houses and gardens. This is an important category in the competition as it enables residents to become more involved in the competition. Church View was admired and the houses opposite Church View also are to be complimented on their excellent presentation.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The approach roads to the village are well maintained. The Fermoy approach road deserves special praise. The road to Castlelyons was somewhat untidy and the verges need to be trimmed. The new wall opposite Church View is an impressive feature of the village. A number of signposts should be cleaned or repainted. The construction of a new wall at the green area in the centre of the village was noted. It will certainly enhance that particular amenity.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

The strong community spirit in Bartlemy is very evident in the effort that is being made for this competition. The village will benefit further if a co-ordinated development plan is followed. You are complimented for your efforts and wished continued success in your participation.