

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **CARRIGANIMA**
County : **CORK**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 05-07-97

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1997	Mark Awarded 1996
Overall Developmental Approach	50	27	25
The Built Environment	40	18	18
Landscaping	40	16	19
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	19	15
Litter Control	40	26	25
Tidiness	20	11	11
Residential Areas	30	17	17
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	21	21
General Impression	10	5	5
TOTAL MARK	300	160	156

Carriganima, Co. Cork

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Thank you very much for the photographs; you should keep copies carefully, so as to be able to show 'before' and 'after' pictures when works are finished. Thank you too for your answers to the questionnaire; next year, please be sure to differentiate between what you have completed over the past twelve months from what you intend to do. All the suggestions made in your Five Year Plan are eminently worthwhile; it is very prudent to set annual objectives rather than try to achieve everything at once. (This adjudicator was greatly interested in the Art O Laoire connection, as it was a forbear of his who wrote the famous Caoin.) The design of your shield is most appropriate.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The School and Church are very well maintained. Good painting on business premises, including Crowley's and Walsh's and the Post Office, was very favourably noted. Dereliction remains a problem. If the Local Authority has plans for new housing, it would be preferable to use the now derelict sites in the village centre rather than create a new estate elsewhere - this has been done successfully in other villages, with social as well as visual benefits.

LANDSCAPING

The lawn next to the Post Office looked very trim on adjudication day. The site on the Macroom road was only at foundation stage; it will be important to plant flowering shrubs and evergreens here - these are attractive year-round and are also much less trouble to maintain than short-lived annuals. Annuals are usually better displayed in window-boxes, flowering baskets, etc.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

Your tree planting programme is impressive. Signposting of the historical sites is lacking, and it is good to see that this will be covered next year; with this might be included an illustrated board showing local flora and fauna - such boards have become popular elsewhere.

LITTER CONTROL

There was very little disposable litter in Carriganima on adjudication day. Congratulations.

TIDINESS

There was considerable weed growth in the neighbourhood of the Old Curiosity Shop, in spite of spraying; and also near Walsh's and on a derelict corner opposite.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

All of Carriganima is residential. The houses are reasonably well looked after.

ROADS, STREETS & BACK AREAS

Surfaces are good. Verges and banks were reasonably trim on both approach roads at the time of adjudication. As a long term project you might think of adding to your 5 year Plan the replacement of the concrete block wall and post-and-wire fence on the Millstreet road; either with (ideally) a new wall in local stone, or (less expensively) by planting a hedge in front of it; hawthorn or fuschia would probably grow well here. The position suggested for the roadside sculpture seems just right.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Not a great deal seems to have been achieved up to early July 1997, but future plans are very promising.