

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **GLENVILLE**
County : **CORK**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 07-07-97

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1997	Mark Awarded 1996
Overall Developmental Approach	50	26	--
The Built Environment	40	24	--
Landscaping	40	23	--
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	11	--
Litter Control	40	20	--
Tidiness	20	12	--
Residential Areas	30	18	--
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	18	--
General Impression	10	6	--
TOTAL MARK	300	158	--

Glenville, Co. Cork

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Glenville's participation in the competition is welcomed. There are a lot of encouraging aspects to your initial efforts. It is important to continue working with as many of the statutory bodies as possible and involve them in any future development plans. You should consider formulating a work programme and consult with the county council when choosing a work schedule. If you approach the competition in a co-ordinated manner the community will benefit enormously. You are to be commended on your litter awareness programme in the school and this policy should be persevered with.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Overall the buildings in the village were well presented, with bright colours used to good effect. The repainting of the green derelict building in the middle of the main street is to be complimented. The derelict buildings and galvanised shed at the Mallow end of the street should be addressed in any developmental programme that you draw up. A number of business premises were greatly admired, including Essie Cuffes and the post office. It was encouraging to note the use of Irish on OHerlihy's shop sign and these efforts deserve praise. The Roman Catholic church and school are well maintained and should be commended. Works on the Church of Ireland church were noted. The police station is brightly painted and looked well.

LANDSCAPING

The use of window boxes throughout the village adds great colour to the houses and should be commended. The flower barrels are used to good effect outside the handball and squash centre. The tree planting on the main street is particularly effective.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

This is a category that Glenville could develop further by virtue of its rural location. You are advised to consult a local wildlife expert who could make recommendations on developing a wildlife habitat in the area. This consultation should take place with a view to incorporating same in your development plan.

LITTER CONTROL

The village is to be complimented on its level of provision of litter bins. The main street was relatively free from litter. However, there was a lot of litter in evidence on the Cork road. It is important to create a litter awareness programme in the local school to alleviate this problem.

TIDINESS

Overall, the village and its environs are tidy. The main street is well presented. However, the committee should ask shop owners

to avoid cluttering up the footpath with excess signs and food produce. In general, a buildings were tidy in appearance. Attention should be paid to the grounds of the handball and squash club and the telephone box on the main street should be repainted.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

The level of presentation of houses and gardens in the village is to be commended. The overall colours employed by the house owners add great character to the village. Houses without gardens effectively used window boxes to add further colour.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The stone walls on the approach roads are an impressive feature and should be maintained accordingly. It was noted that work was taking place on a wall on the Mallow end of the village. As noted previously the streetscape was spoiled somewhat by one of the local retail shops cluttering up the footpath. The standard of signage in the vicinity of the village is poor. A number of rusty signposts need to be repainted and cleaned. Broken signs also need to be replaced, most notably the sign for Mallow.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Glenville is a very pleasant rural village. It will benefit from its participation in this competition. It is important that the community follow a co-ordinated work plan over the next few years. The community is to be complimented on the work carried out so far. You are wished continued success in your efforts.