

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **INCH-CORK**
County : **CORK**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 07-07-97

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1997	Mark Awarded 1996
Overall Developmental Approach	50	25	25
The Built Environment	40	22	21
Landscaping	40	23	22
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	16	15
Litter Control	40	32	31
Tidiness	20	14	13
Residential Areas	30	20	19
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	25	25
General Impression	10	7	6
TOTAL MARK	300	184	177

Inch, Co. Cork

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

The village of Inch is a very pleasant one set in a valley as you outline in the Entry Form. Your Committee would find it useful if you were to draw up a plan for a period of three to five years. Such a plan if worked to for the future would help to co-ordinate the efforts which you are already making. A priority for the committee should be to obtain adequate sign posting for the village which is considered quite inadequate at present.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The Church is a dominant building in the centre of the village and is excellently maintained; the adjoining grounds are also beautifully maintained. The Community Hall which is converted from the old Inch National School is excellently maintained. The licensed premises and other houses in the vicinity of the village are also well presented. The school building outside the village is very well maintained and the immediate surrounding area has been tarmacadamed.

LANDSCAPING

The tree planting near the church is a good idea but it seems as if some of those planted will need to be replaced. The flower-beds in the school grounds are colourful and well maintained. The Committee may give consideration to additional tree planting in the vicinity of the village; such a planting programme would have long-term effects and enhance the area generally. The flower-beds near the church are very attractive, well maintained and provide much colour in this area of the village.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

The Committee should consider identifying wildlife habitats in the vicinity of the village. Yet in such a peaceful countryside this could prove quite rewarding. Also the river from a wildlife point of view could be further utilised. At present the river area within the village is well maintained, clean and unspoiled.

LITTER CONTROL

The Community continues to keep litter under control throughout the village. This effort should be maintained for the future; obviously there is a vigilance among the residents in this regard.

TIDINESS

There was a good level of tidiness throughout the village. Areas such as those surrounding the Community Hall, Church etc. were very tidy. The area in the vicinity of the

school was also quite tidy. The area around the licensed premises was also very tidy.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Residents in the vicinity of the village do excellent work in presenting their houses well. This type of effort contributes to the overall pleasant appearance of this attractive village.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

Some further maintenance would be required on the Youghal approach road. The Tallow approach road was quite well presented. The Killeagh approach was also quite good. The Grotto is attractive and the area round about is well maintained.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

This village is pleasantly located and the Community make a good effort in maintaining it. It is hoped that the residents will continue with this work for the future in a co-ordinated manner as suggested.