

Tidy Towns 1997

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **MOGEELY**
County : **CORK**
Category : **B**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 10-07-97

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1997	Mark Awarded 1996
Overall Developmental Approach	50	18	--
The Built Environment	40	19	--
Landscaping	40	21	--
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	15	--
Litter Control	40	24	--
Tidiness	20	12	--
Residential Areas	30	18	--
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	17	--
General Impression	10	5	--
TOTAL MARK	300	149	--

Mogeely, Co. Cork

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Your participation in the competition is welcomed. It is noted from your application that a formal committee is not in place. The first step the newly formed committee must take is to enter into discussions with the county council and other organisations working in the area. You must formulate a three to five year development plan. This will enable you to approach the competition in a more co-ordinated manner. You should endeavour to create an awareness within the community of the benefits that participation in this competition will bring. A litter awareness programme among local school children would be a very positive step in this regard.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Overall the buildings in the village are nicely presented. The church is a very impressive structure and looked very well. The businesses in the village are well maintained. The Sportsmans Inn and Imokilly Tavern were admired. The derelict railway station detracts from the obvious efforts being made. It should be a priority in any development plan you draw up. There are a number of fine stone walls in the village and its surroundings. Work should be carried out on some of these walls to improve their appearance. The Dairygold buildings were well presented.

LANDSCAPING

The use of hanging baskets and window boxes added great colour to the village. The flower tubs outside the church cemetery were also very effective. The landscaping on the Midleton and Killeagh approaches is commended. There was good use of street furniture. If you are undertaking any future planting you should consider the use of more shrubs and trees.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

This is a category with tremendous potential for Mogeely as a result of its rural location. You should consult with a wildlife expert and incorporate his/her recommendations in your development plan. The waterside area by the co-op offers good potential for development.

LITTER CONTROL

Overall there was little evidence of litter throughout the village. There is a reasonable supply of litter bins. Keep up the good work.

TIDINESS

The village had a very tidy appearance. The church grounds are well kept and the area near both cemeteries looked very tidy. The presentation of the area around the Dairygold buildings is commended. However, there were weeds growing in the drain of

the first building. The telephone box in the village should be repainted. The untidy appearance of the railway station has been commented on previously.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

There are some excellent examples of well presented houses and gardens in the village. This is an important category in the competition as it enables more residents to become actively involved. The terraced houses on the Killeagh road are commended for their lovely presentation. Encouragement should be given to other houses along the terrace to participate in improving the appearance of their homes.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

Attention is required on the approach roads to the village, most notably the appearance of the ditches and grass verges. They looked very untidy on all approach roads and the appearance of the footpath on the exit road after the co-op requires work. The area of overgrowth at the wire fencing on the Dungourney road was very untidy. A number of signposts should be repainted on the Midleton approach and the village sign on the Killeagh road also needs to be repainted.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Mogeely is a very pleasant rural village and substantial efforts have been made for this competition. Once you formulate a development plan and approach the competition in a more co-ordinated manner, you should progress significantly in the competition. You are complimented on your first entry for this competition and wished every success in the future.