

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **LETTERFRACK**
County : **GALWAY**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 27-06-97

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1997	Mark Awarded 1996
Overall Developmental Approach	50	31	30
The Built Environment	40	24	24
Landscaping	40	28	26
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	23	21
Litter Control	40	28	28
Tidiness	20	12	11
Residential Areas	30	19	19
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	20	20
General Impression	10	8	7
TOTAL MARK	300	193	186

Letterfrack, Co. Galway

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Thank you for completing the entry form and for enclosing all of the documentation; it was very useful on adjudication day. The work carried out to-date and your future plans are excellent. Even though work is presently being undertaken, I am delighted that you continue to enter the competition as it keeps up the momentum. By continuing as you have been doing you are going to succeed. With such a small committee you are indeed to be commended.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The business premises are well presented. The Church grounds could do with some work and there are many potholes leading to the Church. The area where the statue is located could be tidied up a little. The telephone kiosk requires attention. The Connemara West Building looks most impressive. The gates at the school could do with a fresh coat of paint. I have noted your problems with derelict buildings.

LANDSCAPING

You have achieved quite a lot here. The flower beds and new tree planting are to be commended. The stone walls throughout look really nice. Also, you have made such good use of stone in your welcome signs. They blend in so beautifully with the landscape and look so attractive.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

You are so fortunate to have the Connemara National Park on your doorstep. What a wonderful amenity to have with its abundance of wildlife and habitats, and nature trails. It is obvious from the note you included in the entry form that you have a great knowledge of the wildlife in Letterfrack and surrounding areas. Well done to all concerned.

LITTER CONTROL

There was some litter in evidence on adjudication day, particularly at the vacant handcraft shop area. Also there was a torn refuse bag at Veldons. You must always be vigilant in this area, especially with so many visitors passing through. Some of the litter bins were overflowing.

TIDINESS

Generally the village looks tidy and the hedges are trimmed and well presented. The Bay area looks very nice and the students from Coleraine are to be commended for their work.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Private houses are nicely presented, particularly along the approach roads. Nice attention was given to boundary walls and gardens. It is always good to see an individual effort being made

as this leads to greater community effort.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The approach roads are well maintained. However, the nameplates on all roads require attention and this should be dealt with urgently. I note the work being carried out on the new footpaths and when completed will look good. As already mentioned your "Welcome" signs are truly lovely.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

You are very committed to making Letterfrack a lovely place to live in and to visit. You are fortunate to have the Connemara Park and Connemara West and are able to avail of their expertise. May I wish you continued success in future years.