

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **DROMISKIN**
County : **LOUTH**
Category : **B**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 28-06-97

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1997	Mark Awarded 1996
Overall Developmental Approach	50	36	35
The Built Environment	40	22	22
Landscaping	40	25	22
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	16	17
Litter Control	40	26	28
Tidiness	20	12	12
Residential Areas	30	18	19
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	25	25
General Impression	10	5	5
TOTAL MARK	300	185	185

Dromiskin, County Louth

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

The map of the village was helpful in locating all the sites. The plan presented is good in that it pinpoints certain priorities. Perhaps a little more expansion of this plan will pave the way ahead a little more clearly and focused. Involving other bodies such as Fas and the school children is a very good idea. This makes a wider range of people appreciate the work involved in a Tidy Towns committee.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The cemetery and round tower are most attractive features. These are very well maintained and a credit to the community. The large Lime trees surrounding the cemetery set it off to perfection. Business and public buildings are well presented. The Credit Union is nicely presented as is the Public House. The next time the poles for the hanging baskets are being painted it would be nice to try a different colour rather than red. Derelict buildings hopefully are only a temporary difficulty

LANDSCAPING

Pleasant plant filled containers and well presented grass verges add to the attractive scene of Dromiskin. The view of the backs of houses from the cemetery could be concealed by planting some screen trees. The area immediately outside the cemetery could benefit from attention. The landscaping of the church and school grounds adds greatly to overall appearance of Dromiskin. The school ground makes a very picturesque setting and the imaginative planted archway is commendable.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

Involving environmental groups to assess the possibility of nature walks and explore interesting habitats would be a good idea. The hedgerows and walls offer interesting ideas in themselves for wildlife.

LITTER CONTROL

In general the arrangements for litter control seem good. However some litter was noted at the cemetery entrance. Possibly the fact that people pass through to the housing estate makes this a vulnerable spot and one attention could be focused upon.

TIDINESS

Dromiskin has a tidy appearance. Weed control and removal of unwanted materials seems to be working well

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

The housing estate would benefit from some tree and shrub planting. This could be best achieved by making some borders to accommodate a group of trees or shrubs. Individual gardens also need to play their part to enhance to overall appearance of the estate. Individual gardens can contribute much to a village - this is

certainly the case with the residents of the house named " Carrig Rua"

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

All the village approach roads are well presented and neat and tidy. The Dromiskin name signs are very nice. Hedges and walls are good features and are well presented.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Overall a nice impression is given on entering the village. A clean and tidy atmosphere is evident.