

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **DOOAGH-POLLAGH**
County : **MAYO**
Category : **B**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 03-07-97

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1997	Mark Awarded 1996
Overall Developmental Approach	50	15	--
The Built Environment	40	20	--
Landscaping	40	15	--
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	10	--
Litter Control	40	20	--
Tidiness	20	10	--
Residential Areas	30	15	--
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	15	--
General Impression	10	4	--
TOTAL MARK	300	124	--

Dooagh / Pollagh, County Mayo

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Welcome to the competition and many thanks for the entry form. It would be useful if you would complete the application form and supply a detailed map showing works completed and in progress. We would advise that you produce a Development Plan in co-operation with the local authority, FÁS and LEADER which will assign responsibilities for a programme of work, allocate resources and give a time frame for the completion of works.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Most of your important buildings - the church, school and many of the B&Bs - looked well, e.g. West End B&B, The Tea Room, West Coast House, Groigin Mor B&B and O'Malleys Pub. The village has a special appeal given its irregular layout and care should be taken regarding the development of some of the old derelict buildings and new homes in order to ensure that the old style is not lost.

LANDSCAPING

There are many opportunities for landscaping and amenity developments, especially along the two streams in Dooagh. Try to encourage more appropriate planting in open areas and along the road through the two villages.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

The car parks provide a good opportunity for the provision of information panels on wildlife in the general area and would encourage visitors to take a nature walk around the area.

LITTER CONTROL

There was evidence of litter at the entrance to Pollagh from the Keel side but in general litter control was good. Watch out for the area near the Post Office and for plastic bags flying on wire fencing.

TIDINESS

Despite some building works and the derelict buildings the villages were relatively tidy.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Some private home owners make a good effort. The garden of the Clew Bay Bar is most attractive. Try to organise a local garden competition and talks to get people interested. You do have a problem with derelict buildings which should be addressed.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

Try to continue the programme for the building of stone walls throughout the village rather than the use wire fencing. In the meantime, tidy up the fences. More attention to selective shrub and tree planting would also assist.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Welcome to the competition. The villages are attractive and have potential to do well in time in this Competition.