

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **MULRANNY**  
County : **MAYO**  
Category : **A**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 03-07-97

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1997	Mark Awarded 1996
Overall Developmental Approach	50	25	27
The Built Environment	40	25	25
Landscaping	40	23	23
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	15	16
Litter Control	40	20	22
Tidiness	20	11	12
Residential Areas	30	18	19
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	25	27
General Impression	10	4	6
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>177</b>

## **Mulranny, County Mayo**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

Many thanks for your report. We would like to see a more detailed Development Plan which demonstrates a co-ordinated approach by all the bodies involved in making Mulranny a Tidy Town. Your committee of six is quite small and, while FÁS have been supportive, you have much to do to improve in the Competition.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

Most of your important buildings are well presented and maintained - the church, school and the new Clew Bay Holiday Village looked well. Dalys and Moynish House are of a reasonable standard. Campbells Tavern made a very poor impression with lots of litter outside their doors, along with abandoned beer kegs and gas bottles. You have many derelict buildings and, while your work with planting some of these with flowers and tubs is attractive, others remain a problem. Hopefully the hotel and railway station will soon be redeveloped.

### **LANDSCAPING**

Some particular flower beds and the approach road from the amenity centre to Dalys are attractive. However, much more needs to be done along the Newport approach. The route to, and the area around, the community hall are very poor. You need to discuss the approach for developing landscaping opportunities with your local authority.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

There is lots of potential for greater nature conservation in Mulranny. While you make reference to not cutting hedges in season and the maps at the beach which would be part of the Blue Flag Beach Programme. You need to develop a better overall approach to this category. Discuss this with local wildlife experts.

### **LITTER CONTROL**

There was far too much litter in evidence along the main street outside commercial premises. Litter bins were full and the base of the fence near the toilets at the beach was lined with plastic litter.

### **TIDINESS**

Probably because of the building works the village did not have a tidy appearance. While rubble at building sites is inevitable, there is no need for old plastic buckets and bags to be left buried there. The placing of beer kegs in the car park and dumped by the side of premises gives a poor impression.

## **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

Some homes such as Fern Hill B&B are attractive but there are too many others in need of ongoing maintenance and painting, in addition to garden improvements. You seem to have a lot of holiday homes, especially along the route to the beach. You need to get the owners to commit themselves to improving these properties.

## **ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS**

Save for the section of road from the amenity centre to Dalys you have lots to do in this category. The approach road from Newport is giving a poor impression with abandoned sections of pipes, poorly maintained walls, etc. The route to the beach is particularly poor. The route up to the community hall is very poorly maintained with weed control badly required.

## **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

The general impression is not one of a committee rallying support from the community. You need to take stock and develop a Plan in co-operation with the local authority, FÁS and your community and then get out and do the work.