

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **OULART**  
County : **WEXFORD**  
Category : **A**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 03-07-97

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1997	Mark Awarded 1996
Overall Developmental Approach	50	29	23
The Built Environment	40	24	24
Landscaping	40	22	22
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	13	12
Litter Control	40	25	20
Tidiness	20	13	10
Residential Areas	30	16	14
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	23	23
General Impression	10	6	5
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>153</b>

## **Oulart, Co. Wexford**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

The work programme, separate from the application form, is now a requirement. This document is essential in establishing realistic objectives and allows a much more comprehensive assessment of projects undertaken in the Tidy Towns Competition. Often the works proposed occur over several years and thus long term planning can be better explained and adopted strategies more clearly understood through the report rather than yearly application forms. A visit to Oulart and Oulart Hill is one of the more interesting historic site visits in Wexford and the co-ordination between yourselves and the Oulart Co-op must be commended as it allows for an appropriate integration of both the town and historic sites. A Development Plan with respect to the strategic works associated with next year would be helpful so that both sites could be integrated, i.e. plant species selection and how they might be used.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

This is an historic town with some very important buildings. Recognition of its importance is demonstrated through the care provided to its public buildings and well tended residential developments. The proposal to restore the 1798 Church structure is a most interesting project which deserves the attention with which it is being addressed by the Committee. The recent works to the Church are a strong indication of the level of detailed thought and appreciation which the town has for its public monuments. The provision of a public toilet within the Church grounds is a very good facility for both the inhabitants and visitors to the town.

### **LANDSCAPING**

There are very few large spaces associated with the town and thus landscape projects tend to be of a smaller scale than are present in other towns. This allows the opportunity of focussing on small areas where attention to detail and finish can be easily obtained. This is demonstrated at the base of the 1798 monument. The playing fields are very well maintained.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

The walking area through the woodland at the top of Oulart Hill is to be commended.

### **LITTER CONTROL**

The residents and school children are to be commended on their success in making Oulart litter free.

### **TIDINESS**

On the whole Oulart is very tidy and it is hoped that any black spots will be dealt with before the '98 Commemorations.

### **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

Individual houses are well presented. The housing estate at the

back of the Church needs better maintenance.

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

Approach roads were good with well kept signs. The removal of the weeds at kerbs would enhance them.

### **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

Oulart is a very small town but has a great deal of interest to recommend it. Its primary interest would be as a gateway to Oulart Hill, where a beautiful memorial to 1798 has been erected.