

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **KILNALECK**  
County : **CAVAN**  
Category : **B**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 29-06-98

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1998	Mark Awarded 1997
Overall Developmental Approach	50	20	20
The Built Environment	40	22	22
Landscaping	40	22	24
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	9	10
Litter Control	40	26	25
Tidiness	20	8	8
Residential Areas	30	13	13
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	14	14
General Impression	10	5	5
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>141</b>

## **Kilnaeck, County Cavan**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

No great improvement noted this year by the adjudicator. To increase significantly your rating in the competition you will need to focus on a plan which will identify and prioritise a range of activities that can be implemented with support from the community, business sector and local authority. Teamwork is the real key to success. In formulating your plan seek the advise and guidance of your Local Authority and North West Tourism .

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

A number of well presented buildings were noted by the adjudicator including Boylands, Brady's, Port Office, Mc Phillips and O'Reilly's. The Church, GAA Park and Garda Station looked well, however, the Library and Old School beside the Church need immediate attention. Give priority to enhancing the main street when formulating next years work programme - improvement in the presentation of business premises, open spaces, street furniture and boundary areas will enhance greatly the overall presentation of Kilnaleck. A big improvement under this heading is very necessary to improve your rating in the competition.

### **LANDSCAPING**

Planting in the area of the green was noted for the wrong reason i.e. poorly maintained. The stone walls out the Church Road are attractively presented and some nice planting on the green open space in the housing estate is recommended.

A more extensive programme of landscaping to include planting and amenity development should be considered for next year. There are many open spaces in the village suitable for such a programme. Discuss same with your County Council Engineer. Draw up a list of projects and seek the support of FAS. Your performance under this heading is disappointing.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

To get started seek the advice of your local wildlife ranger in identifying local wildlife habitats. ENFO and Conservation Volunteers Ireland will provide further information .

### **LITTER CONTROL**

Your litter control initiative is obviously succeeding as there was very little litter in evidence on adjudication day. Well

done.

## **TIDINESS**

Unkempt buildings and open spaces are losing you marks under this heading. The open areas in front of I. T. Centre is most unsightly and in need of immediate attention. Discourage the storage of beer kegs on footpaths. Footpaths should also be presented better and an improvement to all signposting and street furniture is desirable.

## **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

Private and Local Authority housing including St. Patrick's Crescent was presented well, however, do pay special attention to boundary walls, open spaces and the maintenance of shrubs and floral displays.

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

Church Road was presented very well with the stone walls on outstanding feature. The Ballinagh Road would look better if margins were trimmed and the Welcome to Kilnaleck sign needed cleaning. Untidy open spaces, poorly presented side entrances and the need to improve footpaths, signposting and street furniture are all matters requiring attention.

## **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

You need to formulate a plan in order to achieve a co-ordinated approach to Tidy Towns participation. To expedite progress you will require an integrated approach and the unstinted support of all working in harmony with Cavan County Council. Community groups, commercial interests and voluntary organisations all have a role to play in supporting the Tidy Towns campaign.