

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **THREEMILEHOUSE**  
County : **MONAGHAN**  
Category : **A**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 28-07-98

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1998	Mark Awarded 1997
Overall Developmental Approach	50	30	30
The Built Environment	40	26	25
Landscaping	40	28	27
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	15	15
Litter Control	40	32	31
Tidiness	20	13	13
Residential Areas	30	19	19
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	26	26
General Impression	10	6	6
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>192</b>

## **Threemilehouse, County Monaghan**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

Thank you for your completed questionnaire. It was very helpful. It is good to see many aspects of your plan taking shape. Your working relationship with local bodies, community organisations is showing good effect. Continue your education programme with the young people in the area, as it is an important aspect of your committees work.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

Once again buildings were in general well presented and maintained . The Football Complex, Playschool and Hall, all looked well, though there is some graffiti on the Hall gable. The Church and school looked well, but the parking area at the national school still needs some attention. The new building / shop will hopefully soon be occupied. Once again, the Car Park at Mc Grearys looked very well, tidy and well maintained. The continued development in the village will greatly enhance the overall presentation of the village when it is fully completed.

### **LANDSCAPING**

The Committee's continued efforts in this area are noted. Well done. The landscape features and trees were very attractive, well maintained with a good mix of plants that will provide colour and content throughout the year. They are well positioned to ensure maximum enjoyment by both residents and visitor alike, and add some lovely colour to the village. The attractive shrub beds outside Lynches were noted, as were the beds on the approach to the Church Road. The completion of the new footpaths and lovely new walls will present further opportunities for landscaping in the village.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

There are many opportunities for enhancing and conserving wildlife habitats and the environment in the village area. Open spaces, grass and meadow areas, ponds, and trees and hedgerows all offer opportunities, for nature trails and sites. Perhaps a wildflower meadow or nesting boxes in the school grounds would be appropriate as would the involvement of the children in the development of this important area. The river area beside the Hall also could be considered, perhaps incorporating something into the development already proposed for that area. Work in conjunction with relevant local bodies, or a local wildlife expert to develop this area.

## **LITTER CONTROL**

There was very little litter in evidence on the day of adjudication. The committee and general community's litter control measures are proving effective, but everyone must remain vigilant in this important area. Continue to encourage this point in your education programmes. Well Done.

## **TIDINESS**

The overall impression was one of general tidiness. The landscaping features and well maintained premises also make their contribution to this impression. The disused vehicles and untidy garage area are still a problem on the Newbliss road. It is good to see that you are tackling this problem and this adjudicator hopes you make some progress. The ongoing developments will also contribute greatly to the overall presentation of the village.

## **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

Many of the houses were well presented with attractive hedges, lawns and colourful flower features. The housing development was well presented with tidy green areas.

## **ROADS STREETS AND BACK AREAS**

In general the approach roads looked good with a tidy presentation. It is important to keep approach roads tidy as they set the first impression of the village. Hedges and grass verges can be kept tidy without compromising the wildlife.

## **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

The implementation of the work programme continues with good effect. The work to date is a good advertisement for your committee. Continue to foster your relationships with the local authorities and agencies who can help you with advice and funding. Your progress continues. Keep up the good work.