

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **CROGHAN**  
County : **ROSCOMMON**  
Category : **A**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 16-06-98

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1998	Mark Awarded 1997
Overall Developmental Approach	50	23	22
The Built Environment	40	22	22
Landscaping	40	17	16
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	7	7
Litter Control	40	22	22
Tidiness	20	8	7
Residential Areas	30	17	17
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	21	21
General Impression	10	5	5
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>139</b>

## **Croghan, County Roscommon**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

The village continues to make progress; projects completed this year have also been noted and additional marks awarded. It is nice to see the continuation of the wall building project and the new portion of this on the Boyle road looks good. The FAS organic farming project is a welcome addition to the area and will, hopefully, be successful commercially. Only signpost in the village is the one to Elphin, could benefit from more direction signs. Overhead wires and electric poles also look unsightly.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

Mullaney's continues to look good. Direction signs opposite seem wobbly and need attention. Flower beds at base of wall of nearby ruined cottage are attractive but weeds and nettles behind wall should be cut down below wall height. No progress seems to have been made with the old creamery building which is a pity as it continues to look unsightly. Gable end of R.C church needs painting and the new footpath near the National School cannot be seen due to overgrown grass. School and surrounds need attention but evidence of a FAS project there so hopefully this will improve overall area. Gate opposite school is very rusted and this could do with attention.

### **LANDSCAPING**

Flowers at base of wall near church look good and seat is a nice addition but keep an eye on weeding. Also watch for weeds on side entrances between buildings. Flower bed on Carrick road was being used as a temporary store for farm material and a wooden palette - pity! Flower holders on Post Office wall should either be utilised or removed and Lotto sign looks worn. Verges on approach roads need to be cut back except where there are wildflowers.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

No evidence of work being done at the Horse pool and the woods opposite Church of Ireland should also be looked at, as previously suggested. No evidence of any improvement either in the horse pound. These could be interesting historical focal points if restored/utilised and access provided.

### **LITTER CONTROL**

Generally good but saw only one litter box on an ESB pole and this was very battered.

### **TIDINESS**

The overall presentation under this heading is quite good but watch for weeds at side of buildings, base of walls, roadsides and in flower

containers.

## **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

Most residential properties are presented to a high standard. However the house near school at road junction needs attention and the unsightly outbuildings are the first sighting of Croghan when coming from Elphin. This whole corner could be used as a focal point and would benefit from some flower displays.

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

The building opposite the Post Office still needs attention and surrounds could be weeded. Cottage at crossroads between Elphin, Boyle and Frenchpark is still not done up. House nearby is nicely painted but could benefit from window boxes/flower tubs. Good to see that one of the derelict houses has a planning application on it - hopefully when works are completed this will be a big improvement.

## **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

Generally pleasant. Good luck with your plans for the future and keep up the improvement work.