

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **CLONBUR**  
County : **GALWAY**  
Category : **B**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 14-06-1999

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1999	Mark Awarded 1998
Overall Developmental Approach	50	27	25
The Built Environment	40	29	27
Landscaping	40	25	23
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	18	16
Litter Control	40	22	21
Tidiness	20	11	11
Residential Areas	30	21	20
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	27	26
General Impression	10	7	7
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>176</b>

## **Clonbur, County Galway**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

Thank you for a very clear, frank and well thought out application form, which was a great help to the adjudicator. It is good to see elements of the five-year-plan fall into place. There appears to be great co-operation between the community and all other bodies.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

The Church and Parochial House are outstanding in the village and a great effort has been made, but it is a pity that the problem of the Crane House and the derelict shed opposite the National School cannot be resolved. Good to hear that work on the All Saints Church Project is coming nearer to fruition.

### **LANDSCAPING**

Landscaping is impressive and the display of flowers through the village was a joy. The display in front of the house beside the Ben Levi Lodge (Town House) deserves special mention. The flower display at the signs on the entrance roads were attractive, but the sign on the Maam Road was missing. The stone bank on the Finny Road is still proving difficult, but do not give up.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

Clonbur and its wooded environs is a natural wildlife area; the brochure for forest walks is a great idea. With regard to Mount Gable there is poor signposting and badly rutted approach roads. Despite looking for over an hour, the adjudicator could not find the new sign and new gates to the Mount Gable walk, but what wonderful views this road provides.

### **LITTER CONTROL**

The new Bruscar containers were not in evidence and old bins need to be repainted or replaced. There was some litter, particularly on the Finny Road. Great to know that you have enlisted the help of the Litter Warden. The cemetery was well kept, grass cut, good roadways and small parking area. Interesting ruin and nice to see the old church benches put to use. Nice peaceful area.

### **TIDINESS**

The Bottle bank has not yet been screened off and the field immediately behind the containers was untidy.

## **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

The householders are to be congratulated on the appearance of their premises that face the street; Clonbur is an attractive village.

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

All approach roads to Clonbur are attractive, lovely stone wall verges well tended and the street surfaces and footpaths are all excellent. The back lane from the rear of Ben Levi Lodge (Town House) exiting at the derelict shed is not well maintained and the rear of most of the houses were untidy - a pity. There are too many signs at the corner of Finny Road and the telephone boxes are becoming shabby. We note that the timber yard/saw mill is not in the village proper, it may even be in Co. Mayo, but could some member of the committee have a word with the owner and he might tidy it up (no marks deducted in relation to this comment). Now that the E.S.B. have erected new lighting and put their cables underground, can Telecom Eireann follow suit?

## **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

Continues to improve as a village, where most of the community are involved for the betterment of all.