

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **LISDOWNEY**
County : **KILKENNY**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 08-07-1999

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1999	Mark Awarded 1998
Overall Developmental Approach	50	31	28
The Built Environment	40	26	25
Landscaping	40	26	25
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	17	17
Litter Control	40	37	37
Tidiness	20	14	14
Residential Areas	30	19	19
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	28	28
General Impression	10	7	7
TOTAL MARK	300	205	200

Lisdowney, County Kilkenny

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

The information supplied with the application form was most helpful and gave a very good insight into developments at Lisdowney. The Lisdowney Development Association deserves great credit for the achievements fulfilled in their short time of existence and for the plans for the future together with the ongoing work in progress. There is a strong sense of co-operation within the village and the involvement of public authorities to achieve particular sections of work is admirable.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Stone is a major feature of the village and great use has been made of this in many respects. The stone walls, buildings and kerbing, and village park all show how valuable stone can be. The cobble drains near the pump also are a lovely stone feature. The church is well presented with its attractive wall. The gates could now benefit from paint. The road sign also need a little cleaning. The work at present is continuing with wall building and will result in a fine display. The school is very pleasantly presented. A little attention to the wall at the road will help as considerable staining is noted.

LANDSCAPING

The carpark is a lovely project and great credit is due for the imagination and initiative in this project. The completed work will make this a very noteworthy and interesting sight. The school landscaping is well done. The entrance is very attractive. The boundary planting is of conifers. Some hardwood trees should be planted to ensure the continuity of the lovely trees of the area many of which are coming to maturity. The next two generations will appreciate plantings made now. The planting of 100 native trees is a fine approach towards this end.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

The Inchbeg game sanctuary is a fascinating project and makes use not just of the river and its environs but the training element is laudable. The tree planting with mown paths makes a very interesting and welcome project.

LITTER CONTROL

There is a very good level of litter control present. Constant vigilance is always needed in this regard.

TIDINESS

This is a very tidy village. Some ongoing development work with stone and road surfacing is causing some interference with the

tidiness at present but this is only temporary and is in a good cause.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

The individual homes play a very significant role in the overall appearance of the village and everyone contributes in this way

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The surfaces are satisfactory. Some road surfacing work is in progress and when complete will be helpful

GENERAL IMPRESSION

The great strides and imagination and initiative of the Lisdowney Development Association are noted. The people of the village show a pride in their village and there is a wonderful sense of a cared for village when looking at all the details of landscaped areas.