

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **KILMEEDY**
County : **LIMERICK**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 09-06-1999

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1999	Mark Awarded 1998
Overall Developmental Approach	50	26	26
The Built Environment	40	24	23
Landscaping	40	23	23
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	15	15
Litter Control	40	24	23
Tidiness	20	12	11
Residential Areas	30	17	17
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	20	20
General Impression	10	6	6
TOTAL MARK	300	167	164

Kilmeedy, County Limerick

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Thank you for submitting the detailed questionnaire and accompanying map, which was very helpful in identifying various places in the village. Congratulations on the success of your race night in Tralee. The amount raised was exceptional for a village committee. It is noticeable that the committee numbers are large. It is important in such a large group to appoint sub groupings to undertake tasks. The co-operation between the committee, statutory bodies and the community in general is to be commended.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

It is important to keep encouraging the local residents to do their part by keeping their respective premises in good condition. Both public buildings, the School and Garda Barracks, looked very well as did the majority of private dwellings. Ongoing work on public areas is noted. Overall the standard in this category is quite good.

LANDSCAPING

It is good to see that the Committee is making plans to interact with the County Council to initiate a landscaping programme. As was the case last year, the Graveyard is in very good condition, neatly maintained with boundary wall in good condition. The landscaping at the entrance points to Kilmeedy is very well done. I would suggest that when discussions with the Council official take place, that the County Horticulturist is brought on board to give advice.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

The provision of bird tables in the school is welcomed. As suggested in last year's report it would be very beneficial if the school children could be encouraged to put together a little wildlife plan for the village. Maybe there is a wildlife enthusiast in the area that could help out.

LITTER CONTROL

Residents should be encouraged to get involved in a regular clean up operation. It is a bit unfair to leave it to one member of the committee especially when you have an immediate group of 25. This is where the sub-grouping concept could be beneficial.

TIDINESS

The performance in this category is quite good except for a

number of untidy buildings and side entrances. Weed control was acceptable. Make sure that it is kept in check. The area around the new stonewall opposite the graveyard on the Bruree Road was well kept.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Kilmeedy is in itself a residential area and for the most part performed well in this category. There were a number of impressive premises with well kept and colourful gardens. This was only my second visit and I was impressed by progress made.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The standard under this sector was a little mixed. Some of the approach roads, most notably the Newcastlewest entrance were a little overgrown. It is important to make contact with the County Council to ensure that you get your fair share of access to various road maintenance programmes including hedgecutting.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Kilmeedy is a very pleasant village with an impressive backdrop in the Holy Year Cross. As stated elsewhere this was only my second occasion to visit the village and a lot of good work has been done in the interim. Just reiterate what I stated in the first section, consider breaking up the committee into sub groups. I feel that a lot more would be achieved by taking this course of action. Keep up the good work.