

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **LECARROW**
County : **ROSCOMMON**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 25-06-1999

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1999	Mark Awarded 1998
Overall Developmental Approach	50	24	23
The Built Environment	40	21	19
Landscaping	40	27	25
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	17	16
Litter Control	40	28	27
Tidiness	20	11	11
Residential Areas	30	14	13
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	20	20
General Impression	10	7	6
TOTAL MARK	300	169	160

Lecarrow, Co Roscommon

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Lecarrow is welcome to the 1999 Tidy Towns Competition and thank you for your completed entry form with sketch map and letter. It is good to know that you are working closely with the Co.Co.and other statutory organisations and that you have been in receipt of a Leader Award for landscaping. The stone walls on the Roscommon Road look good and the verges are nicely cut back. The immediate impact of Lecarrow is positive, perhaps you will be able to get the new lighting and have the telephone lines 'ducted' before next year's adjudication. As mentioned in last year's adjudication report you should also consider seeking some traffic calming facilities for the village.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The green area fronting on to the main road looks very good and the buildings there Kelly's, Centra and Coffeys look well and the seating, flower baskets and containers are very attractive. Slip road to GAA grounds has been resurfaced and there is a planning application there for new dressing rooms. Perhaps when these are built they will paint the gates and cut back the verges on this road. The house on this road which fronts on to the village is well maintained and has a nice garden. There are still some problems on the Harbour Road such as the derelict mill and the building opposite, though this has been painted which improves it somewhat. The rear of Kelly's has been improved also but the sign there is still not good. The St John's Community Building has been improved by the wall building and tree planting. The school continues to improve and the staff and pupils there are to be congratulated on providing such a pleasing sight. The building, flowers, hanging baskets and nearby flower beds are very attractive and well maintained.

LANDSCAPING

A lot of additional work has been done here such as new tree planting opposite Kelly's and new flower/shrub feature near the handball alley, but some weeding is needed here. There is also some additional shrub/flower planting on the road near St John's Community Building. A number of houses are also making efforts with their gardens and this all adds to the pleasant aspect of the village.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

The sign to the harbour looks good and the harbour itself looks very well and the navigation map,new seats and flower

planting there look well as did the duck. There is one industrial style skip there but as there was just a little litter there it might be as well to have a smaller litter bin for the casual visitor to use. The approach road is rough as is the surface of the car park but your plans to create a wildflower meadow in the car park should do a lot to improve this area as it is surrounded by some very nice mature trees. The stream near the handball alley could also be looked at and could be an additional pleasing feature in the village. The Green Heartlands walk is well signposted and the Sli na Slainte walk should be another worthwhile addition as would the dolmen, if you can provide easy access to this.

LITTER CONTROL

Generally very good, just a little in harbour area.

TIDINESS

Derelict buildings continue to take from the village but there was a plethora of 'for sale' signs on the main road some, at least, of which referred to these sites so hopefully there will be a big improvement in this area for next year. Keep an eye on weeding in car parks, at base of walls and at verges.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

A number of houses are making a big effort which cannot be easy given the number of derelict sites.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

Derelict sites are the main problem here but hopefully some of these will be sold and the new owners will be encouraged to make improvements.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

A lot has been done by way of landscaping and the village is looking much better for it. Keep up the good work.