

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **INCH**
County : **TIPPERARY NORTH**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 06-07-1999

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1999	Mark Awarded 1998
Overall Developmental Approach	50	36	35
The Built Environment	40	27	27
Landscaping	40	31	29
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	17	17
Litter Control	40	27	26
Tidiness	20	13	12
Residential Areas	30	19	19
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	27	26
General Impression	10	7	7
TOTAL MARK	300	204	198

Inch, Tipperary N.R.

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Thank you for comprehensively completed application form and excellent colour coded map showing the developments which have been undertaken during the year. We would suggest that you now take stock of what has been achieved, identify what you wish to accomplish in the future and draw up a simple 3/5 year plan of action.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Most buildings in the village are well maintained such as the Ragg public house/ restaurant, the School, the Church and Inch Community Centre. "Smalls" pub, at present vacant, is an eyesore but hopefully the new owners will refurbish this partially thatched building to a high standard. The Maxol Station is well laid out and neat and tidy as is the shop on the Church road. The walls and fencing throughout the village are of a high standard. The blue and white telephone box needed painting and at the GAA grounds the sign "Druim agus Inse" also needed attention. At the entrance to Inch House, the little lodge with slates missing rather spoils the effect of this pleasant entrance.

LANDSCAPING

The considerable stretch of landscaping, on both sides of the main road throughout the village, is a credit to the community spirit and commitment of the residents of Inch for making their place pleasant for themselves and also for the many travellers along this route. This landscaping consists of good grassed areas, nicely maturing tree planting and many flower beds, all colourful and well maintained. The planting on the Church road and Templemore road were also noted and admired. On the Church road some verges still needed tidying. Some business and community premises such as the Ragg and the School, with its large rockery, are also playing their part in the Tidy Towns effort. Perhaps other outlets could be encouraged further in this area.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

Your work in connection with habitats at Inch, Dovea and Monroe is to be commended. It is unfortunate that you have a difficulty due to the presence of mink in the area.

LITTER CONTROL

There was practically no litter to be seen on the day of adjudication and your daily litter collection is obviously working - well done. The involvement of students from the

local school is worthwhile.

TIDINESS

The village was neat and tidy in appearance with all kerbs weed free.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Most of the private houses in the village are playing their part in the tidy towns effort with a couple of notable exceptions. It should be remembered that boundary walls as well as the houses themselves must be well maintained.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

Inch is on the main Thurles/Nenagh road and the surface of same is good. The side roads are also well maintained with a little work needed on verges. Some signage needed cleaning on the day of adjudication.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

This is a village with a great sense of pride which should progress further in the Competition in the years ahead. Keep up the good work.