

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **DONOHILL**
County : **TIPPERARY SOUTH**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 16-06-1999

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1999	Mark Awarded 1998
Overall Developmental Approach	50	23	22
The Built Environment	40	22	22
Landscaping	40	21	20
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	12	12
Litter Control	40	23	22
Tidiness	20	12	11
Residential Areas	30	17	17
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	24	24
General Impression	10	5	5
TOTAL MARK	300	159	155

Donohill, County Tipperary South

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

The following should be read with last year's report and be taken by way of comment on progress. It is encouraging to see that you have the support of your Local Authority and FAS with your Tidy Towns projects.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Again, as last year, your church, school and community hall looked well. There are not many business premises in Donohill but those that are were well presented. This reflects great credit on those concerned.

LANDSCAPING

Your comments under this heading were noted and the adjudicator looks forward to seeing the results of your efforts in the year 2000. In the meantime, trees and shrubs where presented looked well. Please continue to add to them. If planning a landscaping project for next year do consider the use of trees and shrubs which will give you some colour on an all-year-round basis. Flower beds always look very well but only for a short period and require heavy maintenance.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

Again your comments under this heading were noted. The thinking at the moment is that a committee should select an area in or close to their adjudication area which would be preserved and developed for the propagation and attraction of wildlife. In the event of you embarking on such a project please indicate its location when sending in next year's entry form so that the adjudicator can have sight of it.

LITTER CONTROL

This is an important part of the Competition and it needs constant monitoring. On adjudication day Donohill was practically litter-free although there were some instances of litter in the main village area. Perhaps an additional litter bin or two would solve the problem.

TIDINESS

As commented by last year's adjudicator, Donohill is a rather strung-out village and it is therefore difficult to know what to include in the adjudication. However, the main area of Donohill and its immediate environs were well presented on adjudication day and congratulations are due to all

concerned. Some comments made by the adjudicator last year under this heading are still applicable.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Individual homes looked extremely well and many had lovely gardens which were in full bloom. In a small community this is an important part of the Competition and it is nice to see that you are practically getting full co-operation from all concerned.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

Road surfaces were reasonably good. Approaches showed signs of trimming. The approach from Tipperary was probably better than the others. The church car park was again presented in a neat and tidy manner.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Donohill is a very nice village which could do very well in the Competition. You will need however to plan your activities carefully over a 3 to 5 year period doing as much as you can each year within your physical and financial resources. As Donohill does not have many buildings perhaps the emphasis should be on landscaping, general tidiness and litter control. The wildlife project will also be desirable. In the meantime excellent work is being done. Congratulations to all concerned.