

"Caring for our environment"

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

Results

Date of Adjudication : 17-06-1999

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1999	Mark Awarded 1998
Overall Developmental Approach	50	25	--
The Built Environment	40	27	--
Landscaping	40	22	--
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	12	--
Litter Control	40	27	--
Tidiness	20	13	--
Residential Areas	30	17	--
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	24	--
General Impression	10	6	--
TOTAL MARK	300	173	--

Dualla, County Tipperary South

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Dualla is welcomed back into the Competition. The information and map supplied with your entry form was most useful. The village has the great advantage of being located in a lovely rural setting with many natural amenities. It is encouraging to read that you have the support of your Local Authority and FAS and that you also have been able to generate local sponsorship.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The Church and car park, which are the focus point of the village, were very well presented as indeed was the local School. The shop and pub was also very neat and tidy, while the tennis court also looked extremely well. Perhaps better use could be made of the stone container on the left hand side on the Cashel approach - a flower display would look very well there.

LANDSCAPING

Your new flower beds in the Church grounds were noted as indeed were the ones in the car park which looked splendid and are obviously being well maintained. For any future landscaping planned do continue on with your programme of a mix of flower beds, trees and shrubs which will give you all-year-round colour.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

You did not state in your entry form whether you have a project under this heading. The Committee might designate a site in or close to the adjudication area which would be preserved and developed for the attraction of wildlife. Information on this is included in the Tidy Towns Handbook. You might also consult with the Irish Wildlife Conservancy. Should you decide on such a project for next year do include information on it in your entry form and also its location so that the adjudicator may have sight of it.

LITTER CONTROL

Dualla was practically litter-free on adjudication day. Congratulations to all concerned. The proposal to provide three extra litter bins has been noted. This is an important aspect of the Competition which needs to be monitored on an on-going basis.

TIDINESS

Dualla was presented in a very neat and tidy manner which reflects greatly on the regard which the village residents have for their environment.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Houses in Dualla are mainly of a private nature. These looked excellent on adjudication day; many had very nice gardens which were in full bloom. Congratulations again to all concerned.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

Approach roads in general looked well. Do bear in mind however that adjudication takes place from the village name signs inwards and that the trimming of hedges and verges should commence at that point. Perhaps this is an area where the Local Authority can help. The road within the village is quite good and pathways are being well maintained.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Dualla is a lovely village with many natural amenities. The secret of success will be to build on what you already have, perhaps concentrating on the approach roads, your flowers and shrubs programme and, as time goes on, general painting and decorating. In the meantime, well done to all concerned.