

*"Caring for our environment"*

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

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 15-06-1999

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1999	Mark Awarded 1998
Overall Developmental Approach	50	23	20
The Built Environment	40	23	22
Landscaping	40	25	24
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	13	12
Litter Control	40	27	26
Tidiness	20	13	12
Residential Areas	30	17	16
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	24	24
General Impression	10	6	6
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>162</b>

## **Lisvernane, County Tipperary South**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

The information and map sent with your entry form were most helpful as was the 3 year plan which was read with interest. The plan contains many fine projects. You might try to do as much as you can in any given year within your physical and financial resources. In this respect it is gratifying to read that you have the support of your Local Authority, a good Committee of 15 to 20 people and that you also receive co-operation from statutory bodies. If you have not already done so you should try to get a FAS scheme going in the village. This could possibly be done through Aherlow Tourism. You received an in depth report from last years adjudicator. The following comments should be read within the context of that report.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

Your public buildings including the Church, School, the Old School and most business premises were well presented on adjudication day and this reflects great credit on those concerned. Stone walls in the village also looked very well and create a nice atmosphere.

### **LANDSCAPING**

Where presented, landscaping looked very well. The Grotto in particular looked very nice. The comments made by last year's adjudicator regarding flowers spilling out on to the roadway from private and business houses is still applicable and is lovely to see. When planning further landscaping concentrate a bit more on the provision of trees and shrubs which will give you some colour on an all-year-round basis. The local Garden Centre, which looked excellent on adjudication day, maybe of some assistance to you here.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

Your ambitions in this respect have been noted. The thinking at the moment is that your Committee might select an area in or near the adjudication area which would be preserved and developed for the attraction of wildlife. In this respect do ask for the best advise possible either from a local environmental expert or the Irish Wildlife Conservancy. The notes in the Tidy Towns Handbook may be of value to you in this respect. Should you embark on such a project please indicate its locality when entering next year so that the adjudicator can have sight of it.

## **LITTER CONTROL**

Lisvernane was practically litter-free on adjudication day. Congratulations to all concerned. This is an important aspect of the Competition which needs constant monitoring.

## **TIDINESS**

Lisvernane looked very neat and tidy on adjudication day. Regrettably the old building and the one beside it close to the Grotto detracted somewhat from the overall appearance and the parking of what looks like an old caravan for storage purposes beside these buildings does not help. The new telephone kiosk was noted.

## **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

Houses throughout the village looked splendid. Many had fine gardens and the estate of new homes is being well looked after. In a small village it is absolutely essential that your Committee receive the support of individual homeowners. Otherwise, it would be hard to make progress in the Competition. However, all the appearances are that you are receiving this co-operation. Congratulations to all concerned.

## **ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS**

Approach roads in general looked good. The road from Galbally perhaps could have done with some extra trimming. This too is an important part of the Competition as approach roads tend to set the tone for the rest of the village. Streets and pathways within the village appear to be in good repair.

## **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

As stated by last year's adjudicator, Lisvernane has great potential to progress further in the Competition. What is required now is attention to detail. In this respect you should enlist the assistance of your Local Authority, FAS, your Regional Tourism Authority [based in Waterford City] and any other expert knowledge available locally. The Regional Tourism Authority run a Tidy Towns Seminar each year which is well worth attending, and at which there is many expert guest speakers. The important thing however is to keep up the good work. Your 3 year plan is excellent and the adjudicator looks forward to coming back to Lisvernane again next year to see further improvements.