

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **DROMINA**  
County : **CORK**  
Category : **B**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 30-06-2000

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2000	Mark Awarded 1999
Overall Developmental Approach	50	23	23
The Built Environment	40	26	25
Landscaping	40	28	26
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	13	13
Litter Control	40	30	28
Tidiness	20	11	10
Residential Areas	30	21	19
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	24	24
General Impression	10	6	6
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>174</b>

## **Dromina, County Cork**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

It is encouraging that your community sees the Tidy Towns Competition as a good motivation to complete projects. The community obviously takes a lively interest in the Competition and it would therefore be worthwhile for all those involved to draw up a programme for future Tidy Towns activities. By doing so, the community would then be working in a more co-ordinated manner towards a specific programme.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

The buildings throughout the village were generally very well presented. The church and adjoining grounds were beautifully maintained. The business premises including the Post Office looked very well. The school and adjoining area was very neatly maintained. The old school building nearby is being refurbished with an attractive stone finish. The Parish Hall building is also well maintained and a credit to the community. It would be beneficial if the rusted iron roof across from the Hall could be painted.

### **LANDSCAPING**

The standard of landscaping throughout the village was quite high. The large planted area near the church was very well maintained. Also the landscaping in the church grounds was very tastefully maintained. In addition, the landscaping which has been carried out towards the centre of the village from the church end was well attended to. Colourful hanging baskets and window boxes were also in evidence in the village centre. Also the flower planting near the old water pump in the centre of the village was colourful. The landscaping at Corney Ring Park looked extremely well and carefully attended to. In the vicinity of the Community Centre premises, there was also lovely landscaping work carried out.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

The Bog Walk Project is a good idea and the map giving details of it in the vicinity of the school has been tastefully erected. There is a considerable amount of natural habitat in the area. However when drawing up your 3/5 year plan, you might seek advice from the appropriate source to see if any project could be undertaken to encourage additional wildlife in this area. It is now an important area of the Competition and one, which can prove interesting for a local community i.e. schools etc.

## **LITTER CONTROL**

The litter situation generally in the village at the time of adjudication was quite good. There is obviously a good awareness of litter in the community. The community should ensure that this situation continues for the future.

## **TIDINESS**

There is generally a very good level of tidiness throughout the village. In the vicinity of the old water pump in the centre of the village, the area here was somewhat untidy as infill building was taking place here. The car parking area near the church was very tidy and lined out very neatly. The area in the immediate vicinity of the Post Office was also quite tidy. The area in the vicinity of the disused petrol pumps could be improved but colourful flower tubs had been put in place here and this helped considerably. The areas in the vicinity of the Community Centre and school were also very tidily maintained.

## **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

Residential areas throughout the village were beautifully presented. The Corney Ring Park was maintained to a very high standard – a credit to the residents. The houses and gardens at Marian Terrace were colourful and carefully attended to. Also houses and gardens on the approach roads to the village were very nicely presented. Further house building was in progress near the church and also a new housing development was under construction near the Community Hall.

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

The approach road from Kanturk was quite tidy and grass verges were reasonably well trimmed. The approach road from Charleville was very well maintained and the grass verges were quite well trimmed. The new stone wall in the vicinity of the Community Hall looked well. It was noted that several traffic signs and poles throughout the village were rusted and in need of repainting and this situation should be brought to the attention of the Local Authority. The old telephone kiosk across from the Community Hall should be retained and refurbished. The community's Millennium Project near the Hall, commemorating the struggle of past generations is tastefully executed and landscaped.

## **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

This is a most pleasant village and if the community begins a co-ordinated approach to the Competition, further significant progress can be achieved. To date, good progress has been made and the community should continue with their efforts on the lines suggested.